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Kemomimi has an ear for talent!

Kemomimi Corporation is an elite placement service that provides highly skilled human/animal hybrid workers to animal-loving employers. When Kemomimi dispatches notorious trouble-maker Tama Mikezaki (a human with cat ears) to author Soji Okano, problems are sure to erupt and passions are sure to flare! Soji was seeking a feline muse to inspire him to continue his popular cat-detective series. However, all that Tama seems to inspire are endless catfights. Does Soji have what it takes to tame the wild Tama and get him to nibble on his offerings? Find out in Reno Amagi's *Part-Time Pets*...one of the hottest, silliest Yaoi manga ever written!

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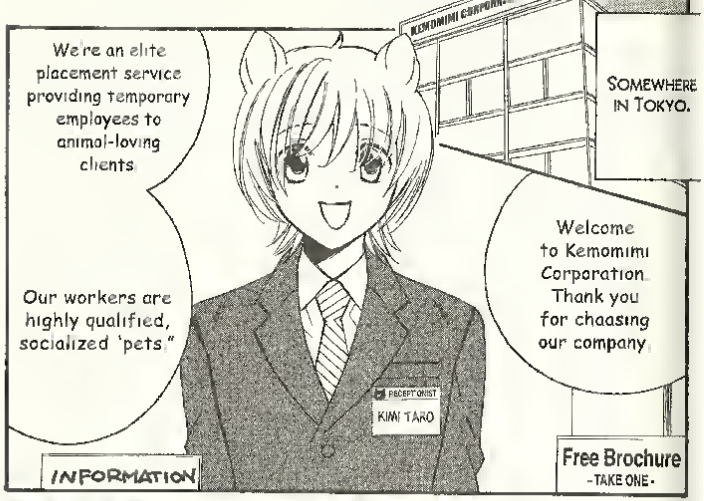
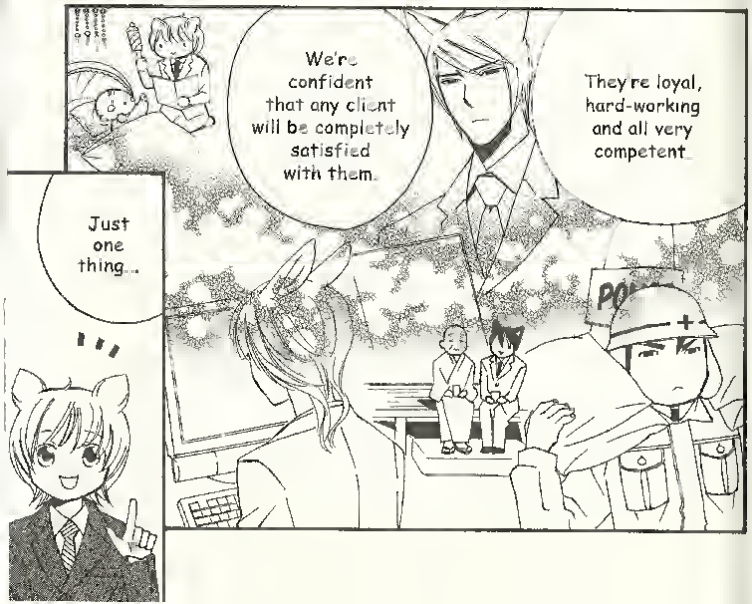
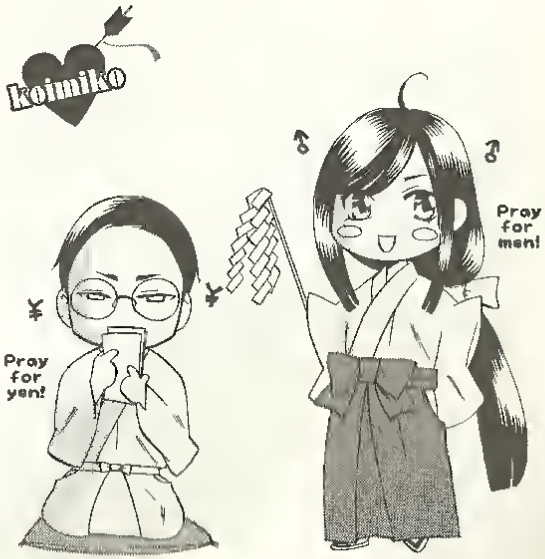
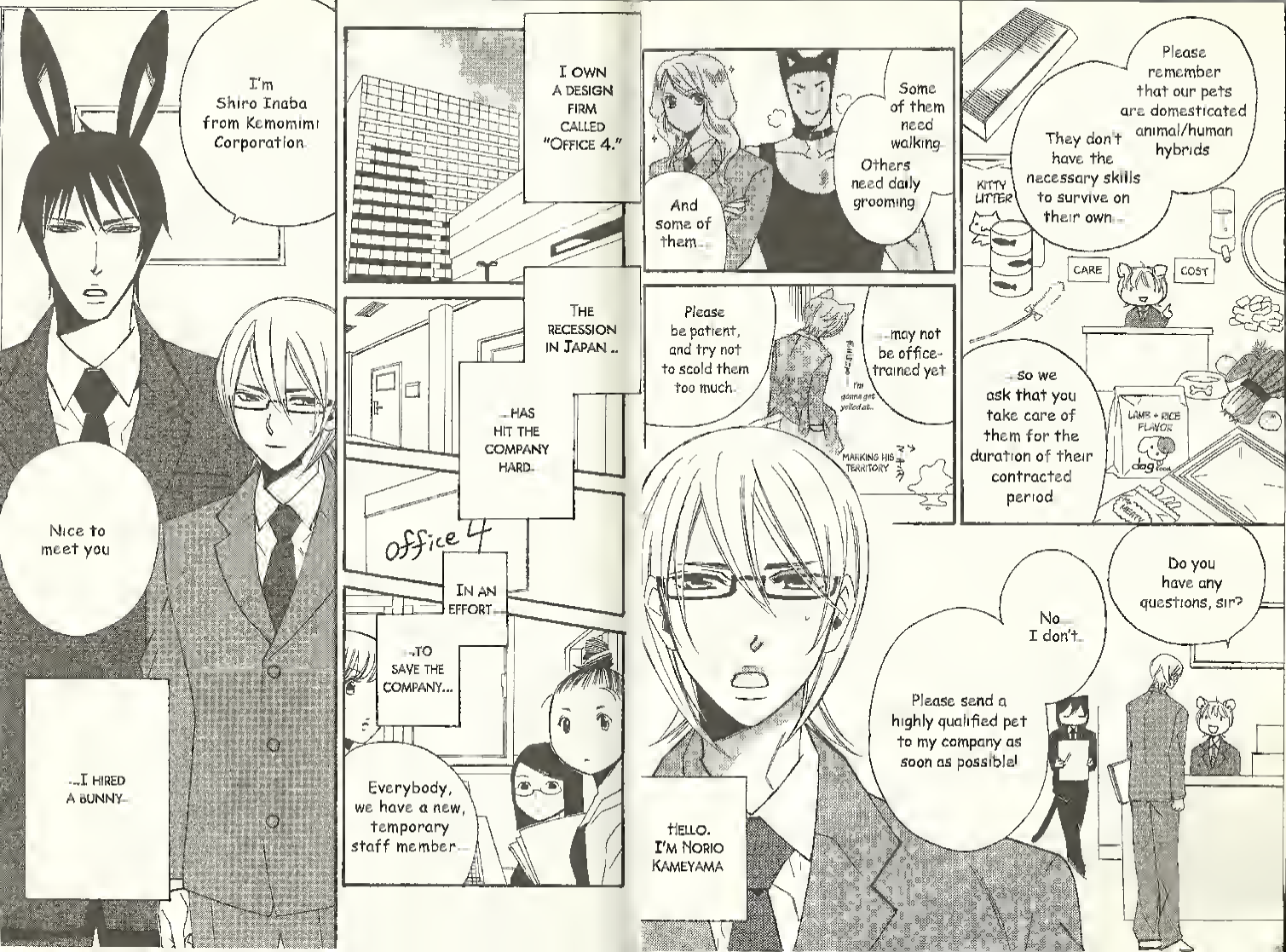

SOMEWHERE IN TOKYO.
We're an elite placement service providing temporary employees to animal-loving clients.
Our workers are highly qualified, socialized 'pets.'
Welcome to Kemomimi Corporation. Thank you for chaasing our company.
RECEPTIONIST
KIMI TARO
INFORMATION
Free Brochure
-TAKE ONE-


We're confident that any client will be completely satisfied with them.
They're loyal, hard-working and all very competent.
Just one thing...

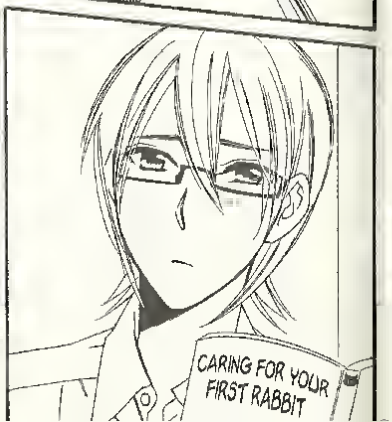

Koimiko
Pray for yen!
Pray for men!

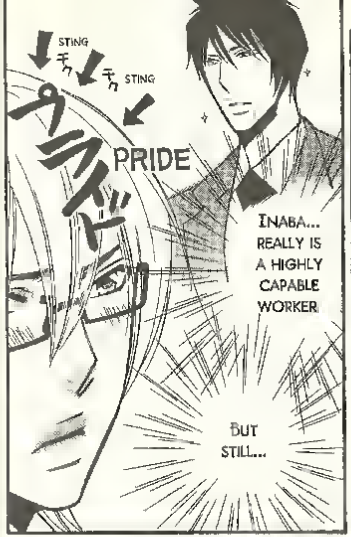

I'm Shiro Inaba from Kemomimi Corporation
Nice to meet you
...I HIRED A BUNNY...
I OWN A DESIGN FIRM CALLED "OFFICE 4."
THE RECESSION IN JAPAN...
...HAS HIT THE COMPANY HARD...
IN AN EFFORT
...TO SAVE THE COMPANY...
Everybody, we have a new, temporary staff member...
Some of them need walking...
Others need daily grooming...
And some of them...
Please remember that our pets are domesticated animal/human hybrids
They don't have the necessary skills to survive on their own...
KITTY LITTER
CARE
COST
...so we ask that you take care of them for the duration of their contracted period
LAMB + RICE FLAVOR
dog food
...may not be office-trained yet
I'm gonna get yelled at...
MARKING HIS TERRITORY
Please be patient, and try not to scold them too much.
HELLO. I'M NORIO KAMEYAMA
Please send a highly qualified pet to my company as soon as possible!
No... I don't...
Do you have any questions, sir?

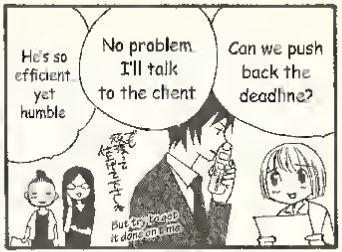
How about this design concept?
Oh! So innovative!
I'm going to lunch
Arrgh... I can't come up with a single idea!
Bye
SWISH
Supposed to be a designer
INABA IS BRILLIANT!
Arrgh... I'm stuck!
CONSISTENT
I got us a huge contract with a lettuce farm
SWISH
He... He might not look like it, but...
I didn't think we had money for a pet, Boss...
Yeah
...Inaba has proven that he can rescue companies in serious financial trouble!
I specialize in hopping. In fact, I'm an expert at it.
Yes, this is Inaba with Office 4... I'm having trouble hearing you
WAS HIRING HIM A WISE DECISION?
I'M STARTING TO WONDER...
I'm also good at scampering
...
Nice to meet you.
What have I done?
Holy crap! He's all yours, Boss.
SALES, MARKETING, PRESENTATIONS, MAKING TEA, PREPARING LEAFY SALADS...
Inaba...
...ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING...
...HE DOES IT PERFECTLY!

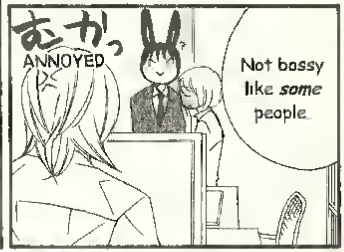
This is your bed
OK!
NOD
Here's your bathroom
...but try to use the real bathroom if you can
Thank you so much, Boss!
HOUSE TRAINING PAPER
URINE SEE

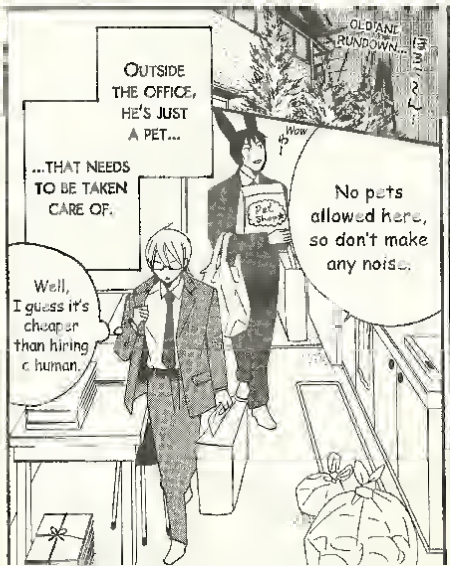
OK, Norio!
You can use my name at home.
I meant "Kimeyama"
SO BEGAN..


CARING FOR YOUR FIRST RABBIT


STING
STING
PRIDE
INABA... REALLY IS A HIGHLY CAPABLE WORKER
BUT STILL...

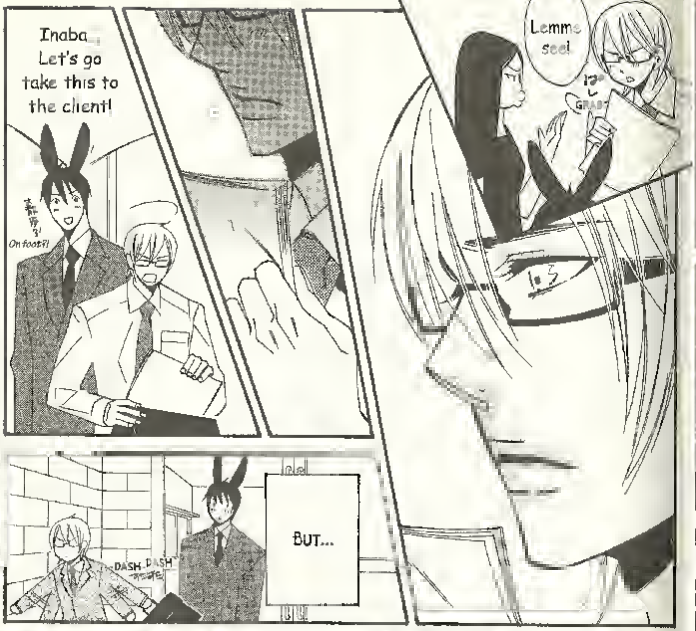

He's so efficient... yet humble
No problem. I'll talk to the client
Can we push back the deadline?
But try to get it done on time


ANNOYED
Not bossy like *some* people.


OUTSIDE THE OFFICE, HE'S JUST A PET...
...THAT NEEDS TO BE TAKEN CARE OF.
OLD JANE RUNDOWN...
Wow
No pets allowed here, so don't make any noise.
Well, I guess it's cheaper than hiring a human.

...OUTSIDE THE OFFICE, HE'S JUST A BUNNY.
Oh, so this is where you live.
Yeah

What's the job?
Four variations of twelve different packaging designs. That's forty-eight pieces of artwork... in color.
Dammit... I totally forgot about the Yamada account...
Boss?
SWAY
There's just no way, Boss!
I'm responsible for this... I'll have to do it myself.
Tomorrow.
When is it due?
No way!
MAKE THE DEADLINE. NO PROBLEM.
Do you know how to use this design software...?
I know. I'll help you
I'll have to attempt the impossible!
You can't do it alone...
WHATEVER
. .MY STRANGE LIFE WITH INABA.
BUNNY CROW
We're working on it!
We'll make the deadline... No problem!
Excuse me.
I'm back.
Of course! Of course!
Huh?
So rude.
Boss, it's Mr. Yamada
GRAB
Yes! Kameyama speaking!


Inaba... Let's go take this to the client!
Oh fuck?!
Lemme see!
BUT...
DASH DASH

That's one excellent designer you've got there, Kameyama.
...HOW...?
HE'S JUST A BUNNY.
Yamada ★ Electronics Institute

DOZE
DOZE

Z Z ZZZ...
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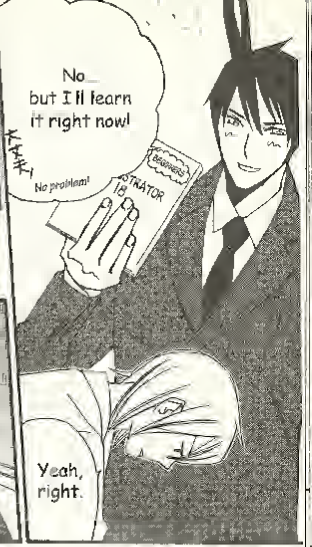

No... but I'll learn it right now!
No problem!
BEGINNER'S ILLUSTRATOR
Yeah, right.

Boss, take a look at this! I can't believe it's his first time using the software!
How long did you sleep?
He's super fast and he's got great design skills too!

You finished it all in one night?!
Wow, that's incredible, Inaba!
HUH...?

BLEW A FUSE

HMPH!
With your ears like that, you look like a regular guy.
And very handsome!
Can we walk together now?
...I won't embarrass the Boss anymore.
Doesn't that hurt?
My hearing is a little muffled, but...
It's embarrassing being seen with you!
Stupid bunny!
And do something with those ears!
Norio...?
Call me "Boss" during business hours, even if we're alone.
HOW CAN HE BE SO GOOD AT EVERYTHING?
HE EATS CARROTS AND SLEEPS ON STRAW...
CRANKY
Stupid...?
Inaba, you should go to bed early tonight.
BEING WITH YOU...
...IS MAKING ME MISERABLE.
KINKS
Maybe later. We're on the clock.
Want some lettuce?
Hey! I didn't hire rabbitsitters!
Back to work! Hop to it!
How about some vegetable juice?
ARRGH!
Your ears!
Huh, what happened to you?
Do I look more human now?
HE'S A HELPLESS PET AT HOME. BETWEEN WORK AND HOME, I DON'T KNOW HOW TO TREAT HIM.

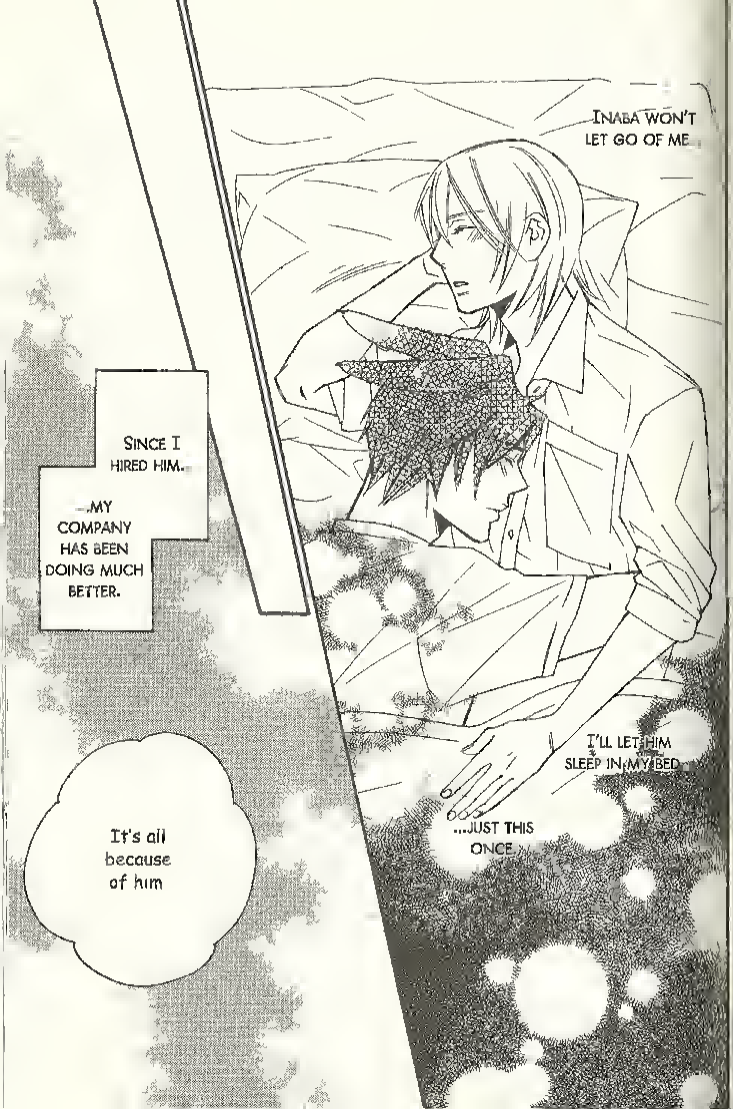
Morning
What's wrong? You look like a wreck
Oh!
Norio...
SOB
PILE OF FILTHY WATER
DRINK THIS
EAT THIS
WHISPER
Maybe it's animal abuse.
He doesn't look too good.
Now he's a top-eared rabbit
Here's your tea
Yes Thank you
Hot o
I REALLY...
Oh no
and he didn't leave you any food?!
The boss is on a business trip
That moron.
No, that's not it
Bad pet owner
. I GUESS I'M JUST BEING CHILDISH.
I have an overnight business trip tomorrow
I forgot to tell him
Oh.
No thanks
SLAM
Good night.
REALLY
I brought some work home
What about you Norio?
Do you need any help?
I guess he'll be OK
HAVE BUSINESS TRIP TO KYOTO TODAY. BE BACK TOMORROW
YOUR FOOD'S IN THE VEGGIE DRAWER IN THE FRIDGE.
NORIO
!
...HAD NO IDEA..
..WHAT WAS HAPPENING..
I can catch the red-eye and be home by morning

Norio...
I'm home
CHAK...
CH-P-CHI
Norio...

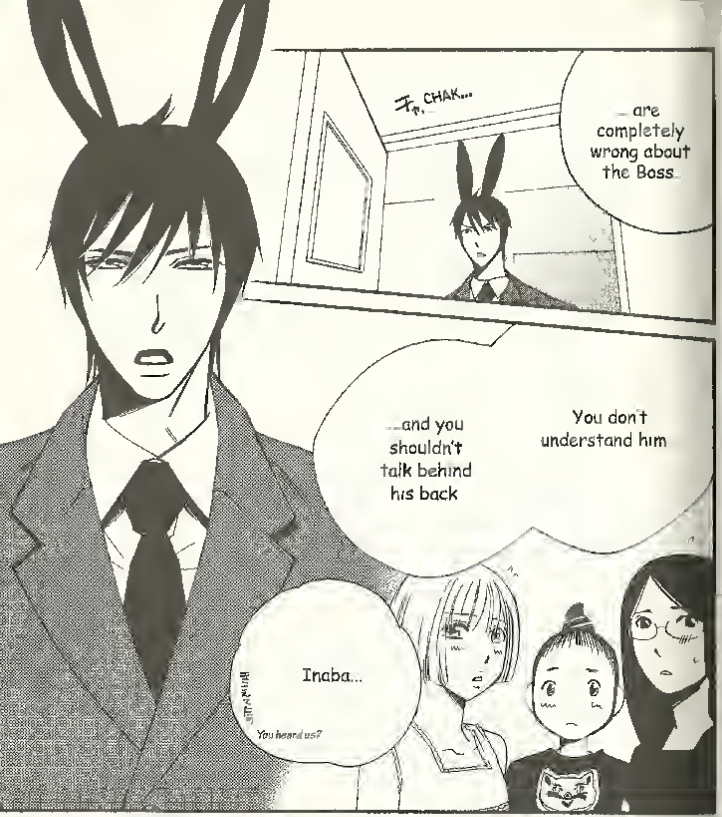
...WITH INABA.
ORGANIC
TOILET

Norio...
SNUGGLE
WHAT THE-?
Jeez...
Silly Inaba.
HE'S SO STABLE AT WORK...
...BUT AT HOME, HE FALLS APART WHEN I'M NOT HERE.

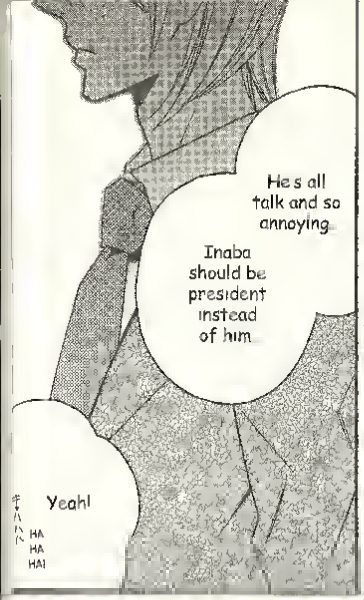
Inaba... you sleeping?
Ina
Mmm...
TOILE

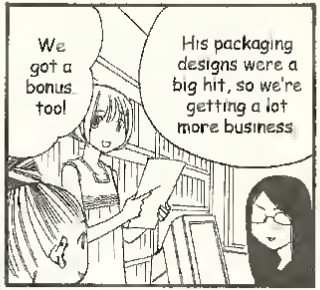

INABA WON'T LET GO OF ME...
SINCE I HIRED HIM...
...MY COMPANY HAS BEEN DOING MUCH BETTER.
It's all because of him
I'LL LET HIM SLEEP IN MY BED...
...JUST THIS ONCE.

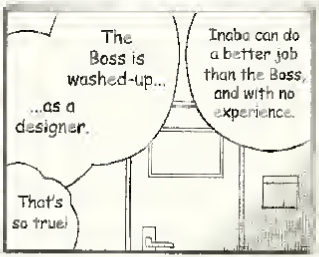
Norio...
So stupid...
I GUESS HE REALLY NEEDS ME...
SQUEEZE
Welcome home, Norio.
FLOP


...are completely wrong about the Boss...
CHAK...
You don't understand him
...and you shouldn't talk behind his back
Inaba...
You heard us?

He acts the way he does...
...because he's a responsible man who tries to do everything himself.

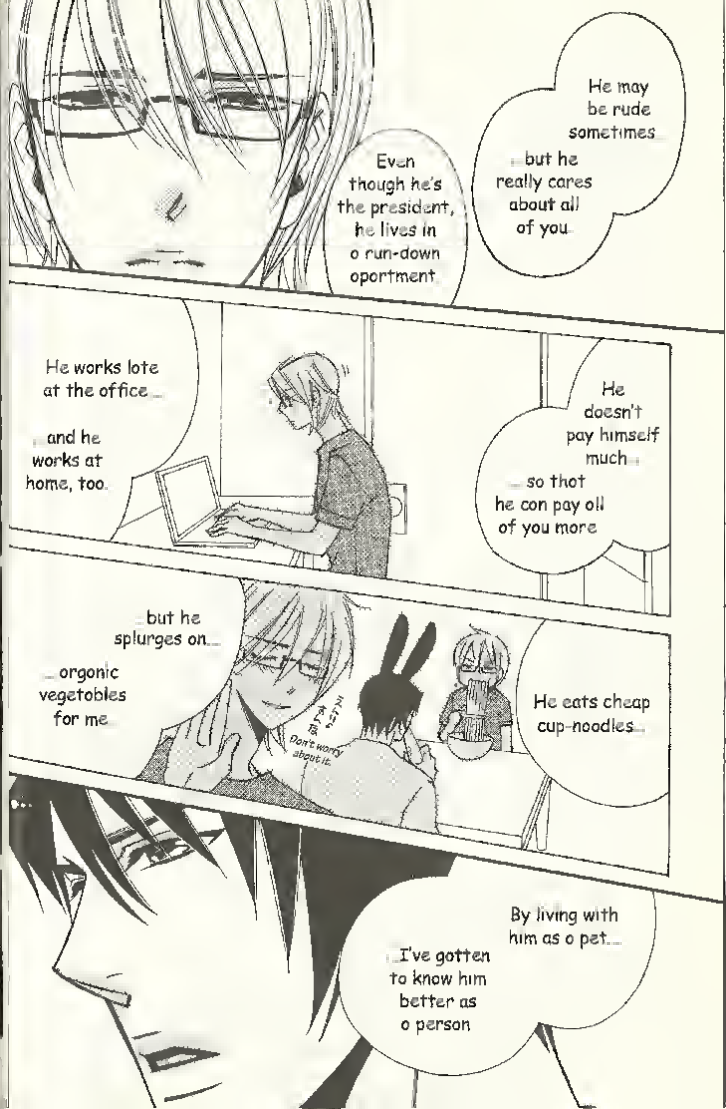

He's all talk and so annoying...
Inaba should be president instead of him...
Yeah!
HA HA HA!


We got a bonus too!
His packaging designs were a big hit, so we're getting a lot more business


The Boss is washed-up...
...as a designer.
Inaba can do a better job than the Boss, and with no experience.
That's so true!

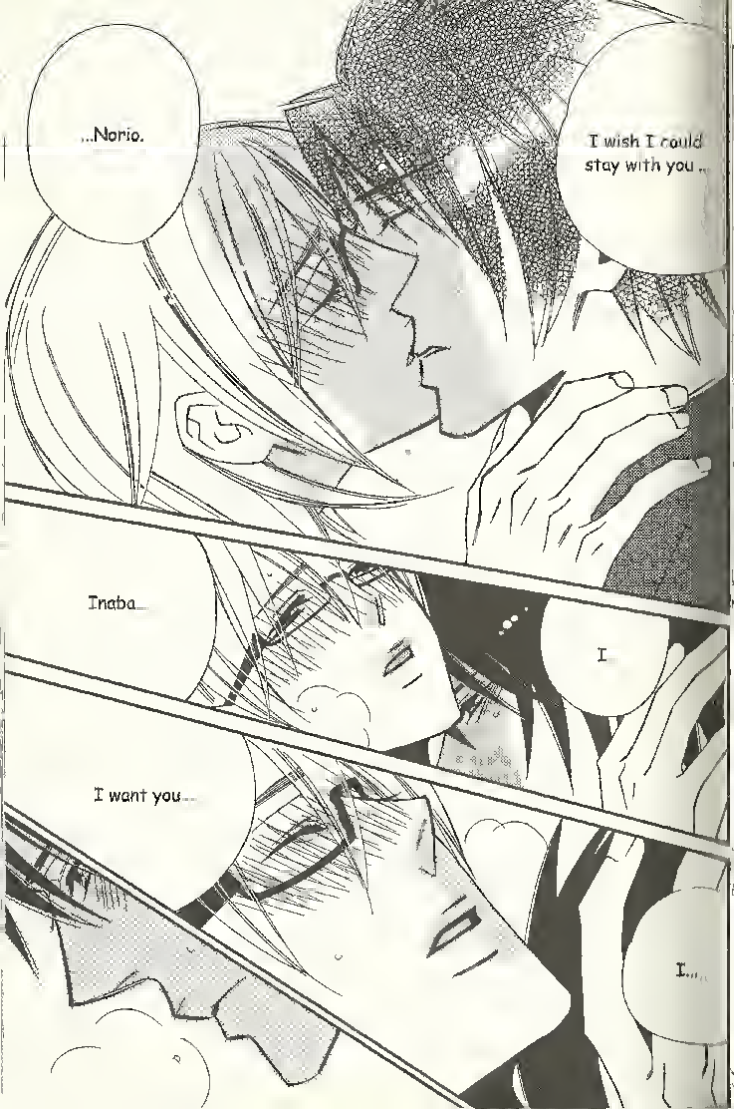
You ladies...
MAYBE...
..I REALLY SHOULD QUIT...

...this is going to cost me...
some dignity as your president
But you guys only know him from work...
so I wanted to tell you how he really is.
Sorry if I sound snobby
Well...


Even though he's the president, he lives in a run-down apartment
He may be rude sometimes...
but he really cares about all of you.
He works late at the office...
and he works at home, too.
He doesn't pay himself much...
so that he can pay all of you more
but he splurges on...
organic vegetables for me.
Don't worry about it.
He eats cheap cup-noodles...
By living with him as a pet...
I've gotten to know him better as a person

Crying makes me tired...
Heh heh...
SQUEEZE...
Your contract with Kemomimi ends when your company becomes financially stable.
Your company is fine now.
Inaba?

We're all sorry...
Boss! I'm sorry!
Yeah... I know
Thank you for putting up with me
SNIFFLE
You can count on us, Boss.
Jeez... Well...
Let's head home
STRETCH
Thank you.


...Norio.
I wish I could stay with you...
Inaba...
I
I want you...
I...

Please, don't cry...
The company will be OK without me now...
No no
It's not that...

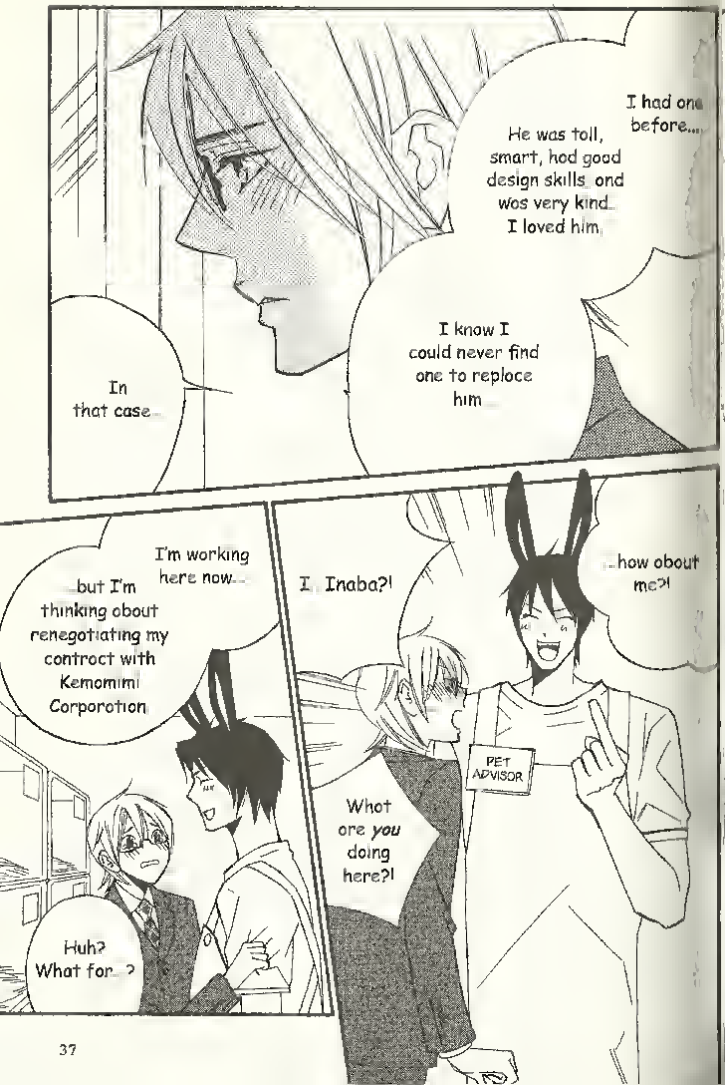
Without you...
...I can't live by myself
You're not just an employee or a pet to me anymore
Me neither...

I have to say goodbye today, Norio.

I always will
I love you, Norio
SO LONELY AFTER MY BUNNY LEFT, THAT I FELT LIKE DYING
I WAS
I HEARD THAT BUNNIES DIE IF THEY GET TOO LONELY.
ONE MONTH LATER...

Yes...
I love you.
Ah...
Uhhh
Unh
Oh
Mm
Nng
Oh
Ahhh!

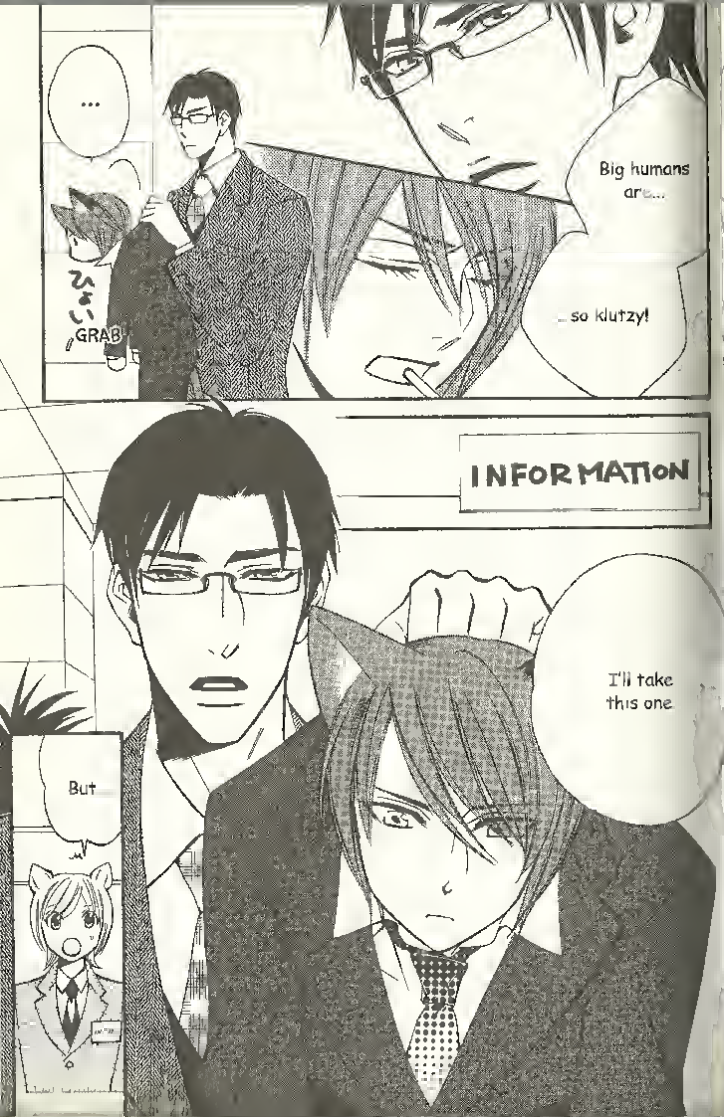
You OK Boss?
We'll finish up. You go home and rest.
OK. Thanks.
SIGH..
.. I WAS STILL TOTALLY DEPRESSED.
PETLAND
PET ADVISOR
Are you looking for a bunny?
Yeah. I am.


I had one before...
He was tall, smart, had good design skills and was very kind. I loved him.
I know I could never find one to replace him.
In that case...
I... Inaba?!
...how about me?!
PET ADVISOR
What are *you* doing here?!
I'm working here now...
...but I'm thinking about renegotiating my contract with Kemomimi Corporation.
Huh? What for...?

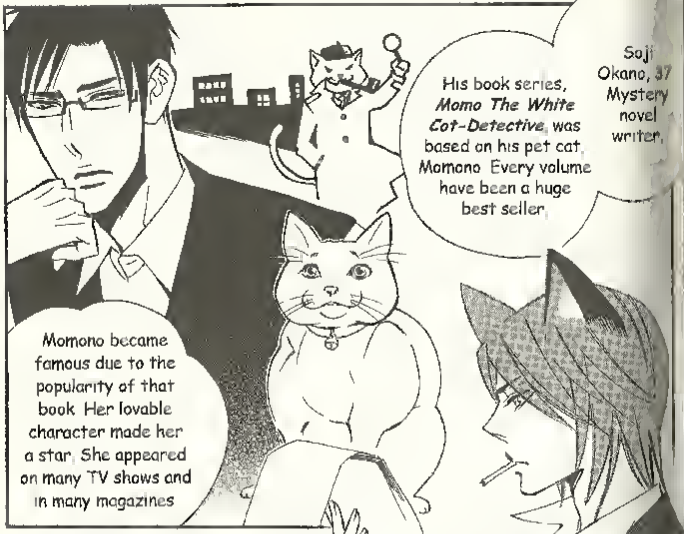
Part-Time Pets
Chapter 2

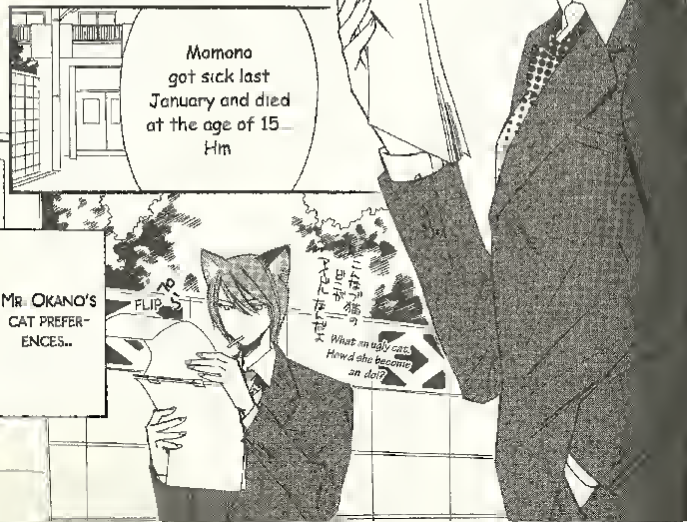
So I can have a better position
Living with Norio Kameyama...
..forever
Chapter 1 * End

You're just jealous because no client of yours would ever send you a gift!
You shouldn't have left it in the fridge so long.
Mikezaki
So annoying.
And you ate it!
That was a gift from an important client!
I was going to eat it when I came back from my business trip.
WAAAH
わぁーん
I saved you from getting a stomachache!
I did you a favor... it was rotting!
What?!
WHACK WHACK
ぽかすか
Who cares?! Moron!
SCRATCH
I like it when it starts rotting!
ぽかすか
WHACK WHACK
Grrr. Mikezaki..
SNIFF
CAT DEPARTMENT
Mikezaki! Apologize!
フーん
HMPH
No way
Yeah, I ate it. So what?!
I know you ate my mackerel!
They're at it again...


...
Big humans are...
...so klutzy!
GRAB
INFORMATION
I'll take this one.
But

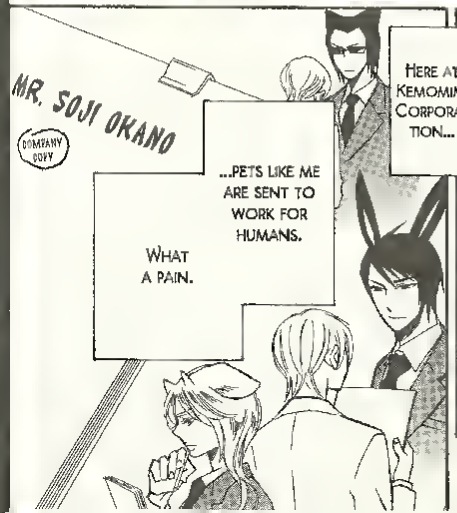
Nya!
DASH
Torajima! I'm gonna scratch your eyes out!
Damn you, Torajima! I'll get you someday
STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
Shit!
PANT
PANT
BUMP
Hey, watch it! Human!


Soji Okano, 37 Mystery novel writer,
His book series, Momo The White Cat-Detective, was based on his pet cat, Momono. Every volume have been a huge best seller.
Momono became famous due to the popularity of that book. Her lovable character made her a star. She appeared on many TV shows and in many magazines


Momono got sick last January and died at the age of 15... Hm
Mr. Okano's cat preferences...
FLIP
What an ugly cat. How'd she become an doll?

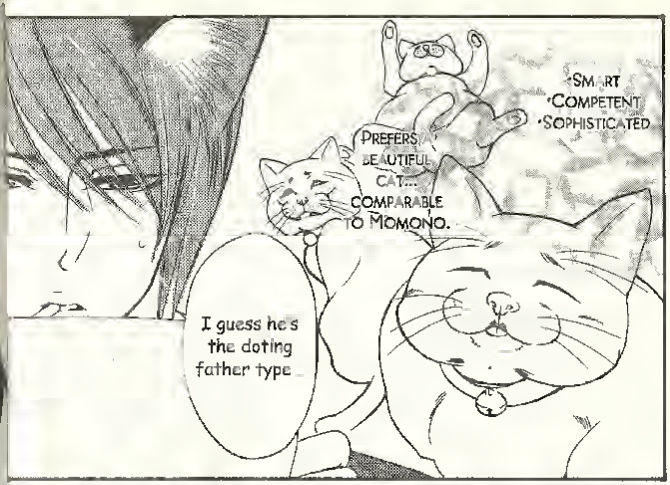
Make all the arrangements so he can start working for me.
Good day
What?!

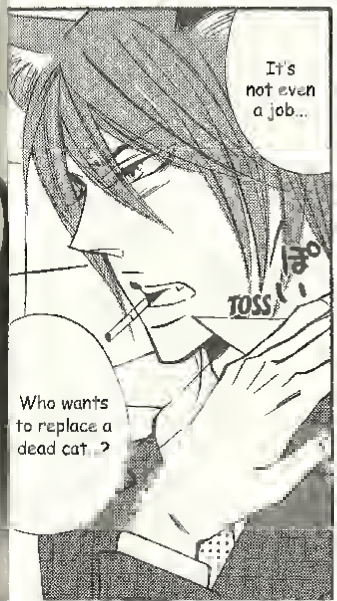
...Mr. Okano... Mikezaki is totally different from what you requested, isn't he?
He's also a little...well, a lot of trouble...
I don't mind.
DROP
MEOW!
THUD

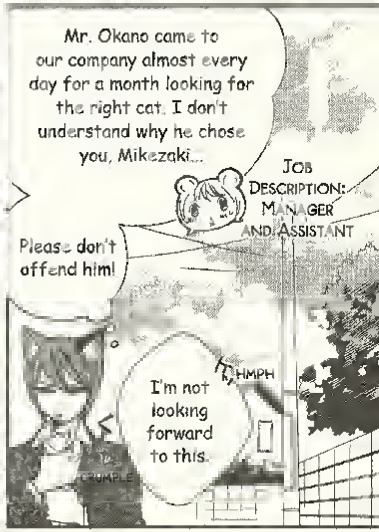

MR. SOJI OKANO
COMPANY COPY
HERE AT KEMOMIMI CORPORATION...
...PETS LIKE ME ARE SENT TO WORK FOR HUMANS.
WHAT A PAIN.

Who does he think he is?!
Grabbing me by the neck like that!
Even my parents never did that.

TA-DUM!
I REALLY...
...DON'T WANT TO DO THIS.
EVERY-THING...
...ABOUT THIS JOB.
Tama Mikezaki, right?
You're late. I don't like to be kept waiting.


•SMART
•COMPETENT
•SOPHISTICATED
PREFERS BEAUTIFUL CAT... COMPARABLE TO MOMONO.
I guess he's the doting father type...


It's not even a job...
TOSS
Who wants to replace a dead cat...?


Mr. Okano came to our company almost every day for a month looking for the right cat. I don't understand why he chose you, Mikezaki...
JOB DESCRIPTION: MANAGER AND ASSISTANT
Please don't offend him!
HMPH
I'm not looking forward to this.

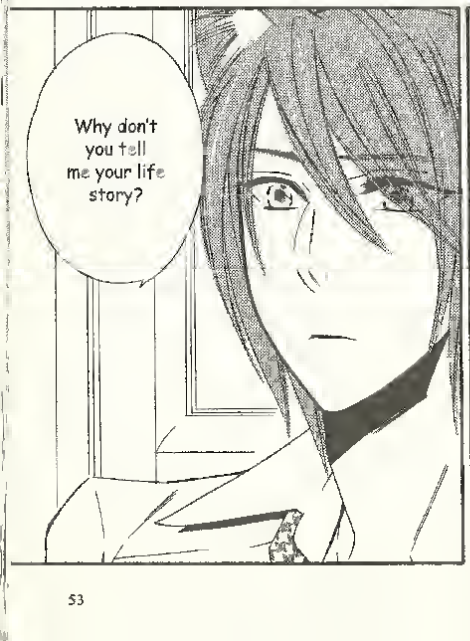
Got any good meat?
The expensive kind!
Hmph.
If he doesn't feed me well, it's not even worth staying.
GROWL
Hungry... Hungry...
...DIDN'T FALL FOR IT!
SCRATCH
SCRATCH
SCRATCH
SCRATCH
SCRATCH
Eat up.
Don't be modest.
THIS IS... SLOP!
HEALTHY CAT
HEALTHY CAT
...
I can't do it where you can see me!
I need privacy! A private room!
DISGUSTING!
まずーい
It's completely tasteless!
But it's good for you.
FWISH!
DUCK
I can't go with you standing there.
Don't stand outside the bathroom!
My, my... You're a fussy temp.
THIS SOJI GUY...
CRACK
ガシャン
...SOUNDS AWFUL!
You hired me without even knowing my background.
I'm a well-known local wildcat.
I'm just doing this job for kicks...
CLINK
Don't even think about taming...
HE...
TOSS
ぽいっ
I guess you won't be needing dinner.
YEW!
...me.
GRAB
ひょいっ

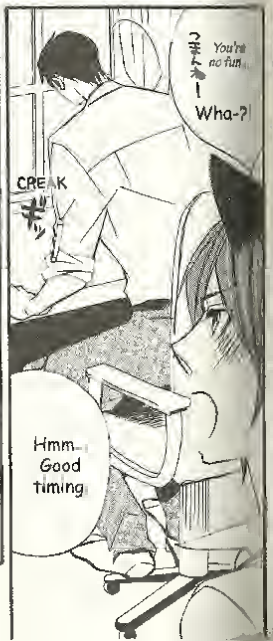
Hey! Don't blame things on me like that!
You did me a favor
You're nothing compared to Momono—
The cat messed up my latest draft. I won't make the deadline.
Yes, it's me.
NON WORK RELATED DOCUMENTS
THE LATEST DRAFT
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
And he gives me nothing but boring jobs
SULK...
Careful with those documents
...but you are useful.
KA-CHAK
ANOTHER THING—
...I DON'T LIKE...
MESSY
...
ROLL
ROLL
ROLL
ROLL
MESSY
...IS SO CALM AND SERIOUS.
HE'S THE TYPE OF GUY I HATE THE MOST.

I can't write any more, since Momono died.
Well, there isn't one.

She was just a model for the novels, but he thought of her that highly huh?
A smart, competent, sophisticated, beautiful cat?
Hmm... it's kind of interesting
HOOKED

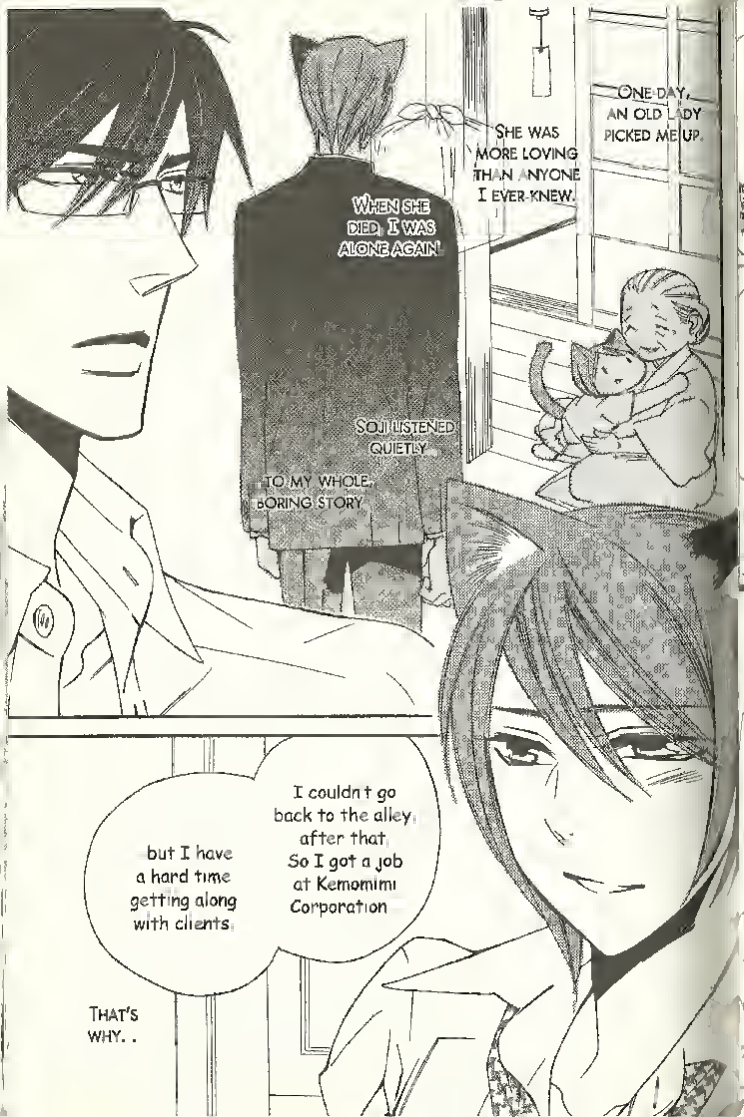
...IS HOW HE ALWAYS COMPARES ME TO MOMONO.
Hmph.
MOMO THE WHITE CAT-DETECTIVE
A GENTLEMAN IN THE ENCHANTED FOREST

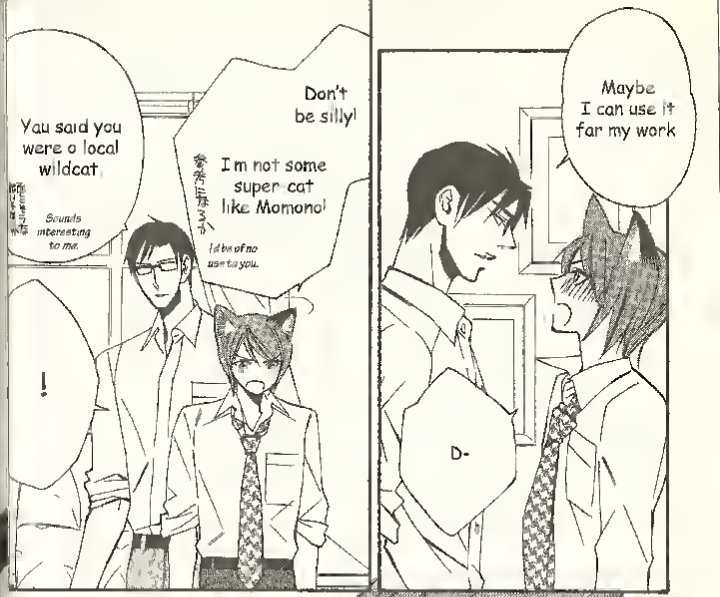

Why don't you tell me your life story?

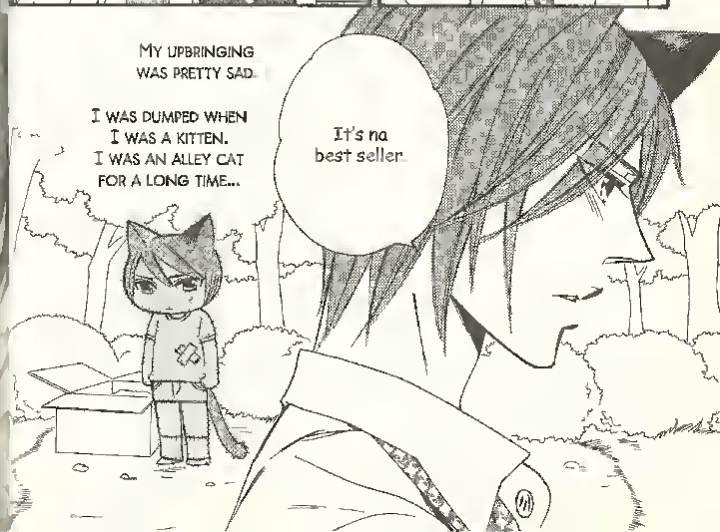

You're no fun...
Wha-?!
CREAK
Hmm... Good timing.

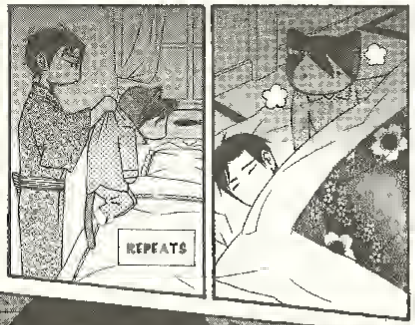
You finished all twenty-five of them, Tama?
Hey, Saji... Where's the next Momo book?
Yes I want to read the next one

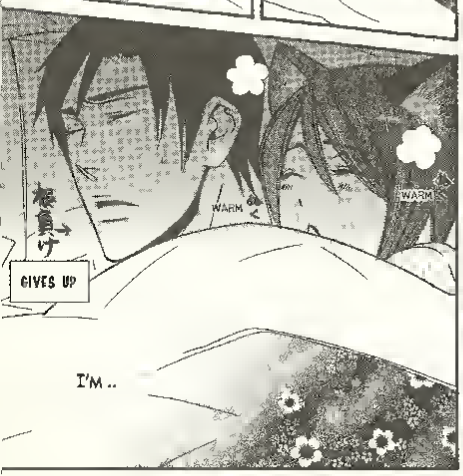
Wow. Detective Momo is amazing!
She's so great! She can solve any mystery!
EASILY AMUSED 単純


ONE DAY, AN OLD LADY PICKED ME UP.
SHE WAS MORE LOVING THAN ANYONE I EVER KNEW.
WHEN SHE DIED, I WAS ALONE AGAIN.
SOJI LISTENED QUIETLY
TO MY WHOLE, BORING STORY.
I couldn't go back to the alley after that. So I got a job at Kemomimi Corporation
but I have a hard time getting along with clients.
THAT'S WHY. .


You said you were a local wildcat.
Sounds interesting to me.
Don't be silly!
I'm not some super-cat like Momono!
I'd be of no use to you.
!
Maybe I can use it for my work
D-

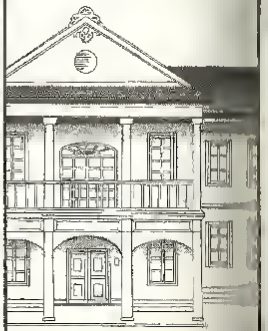

MY UPBRINGING WAS PRETTY SAD.
I WAS DUMPED WHEN I WAS A KITTEN. I WAS AN ALLEY CAT FOR A LONG TIME...
It's no best seller.

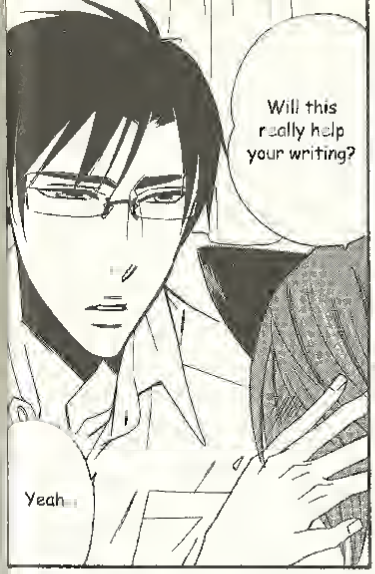


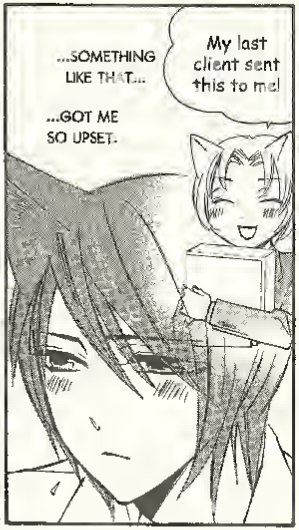


MAYBE
JUST MAYBE

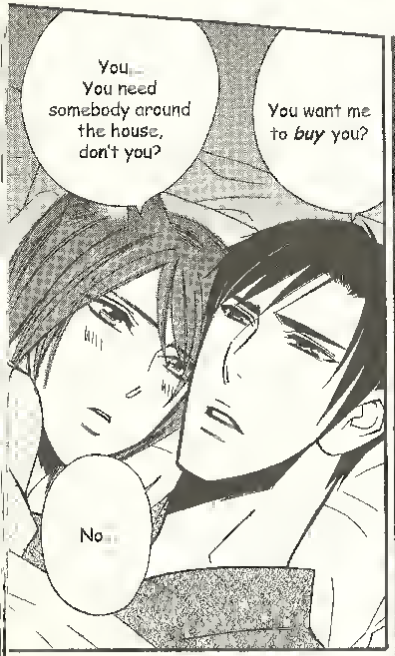
I CAN GET
ALONG WITH SOJI







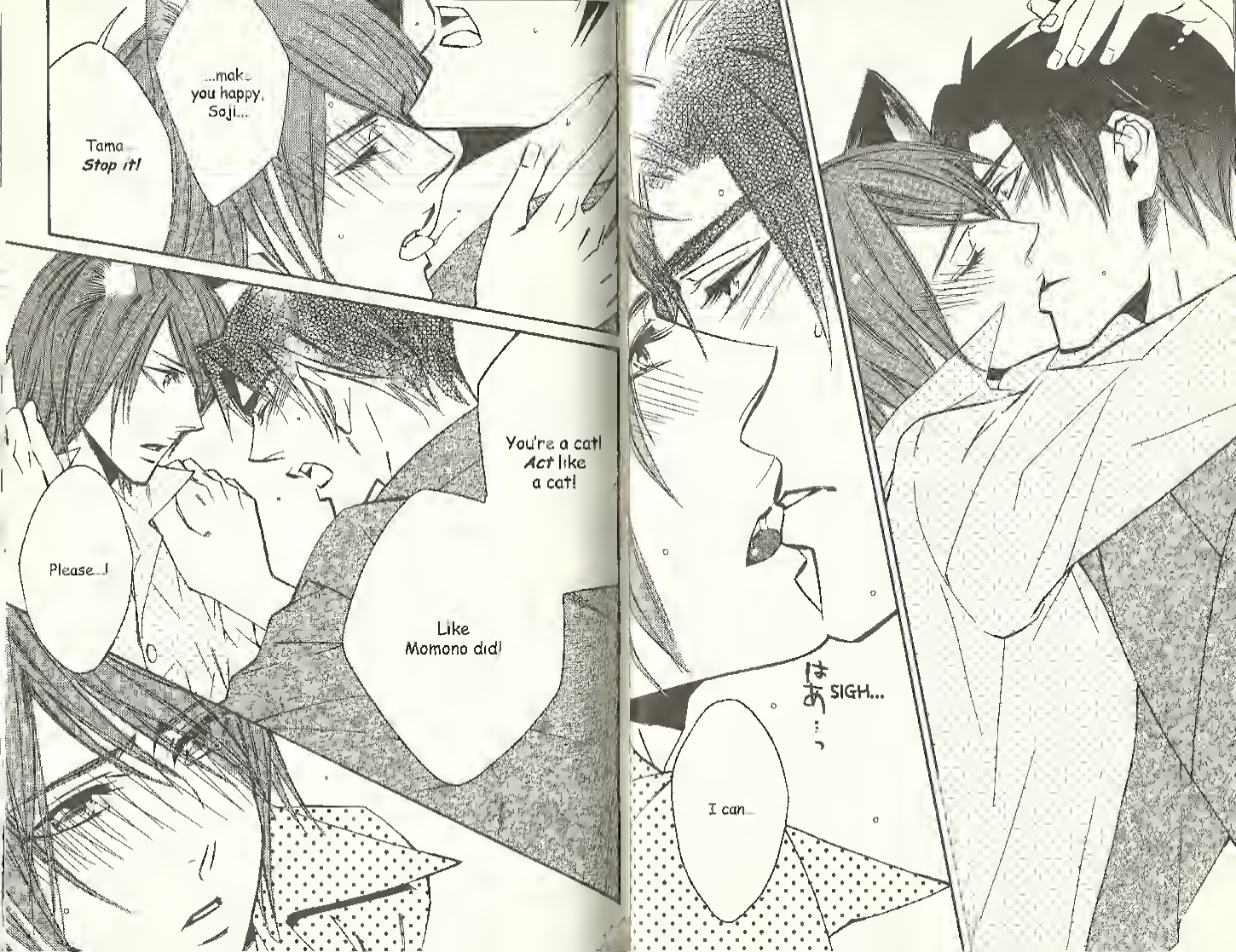
HUG
...MAKES ME SO, SO...
...HAPPY.

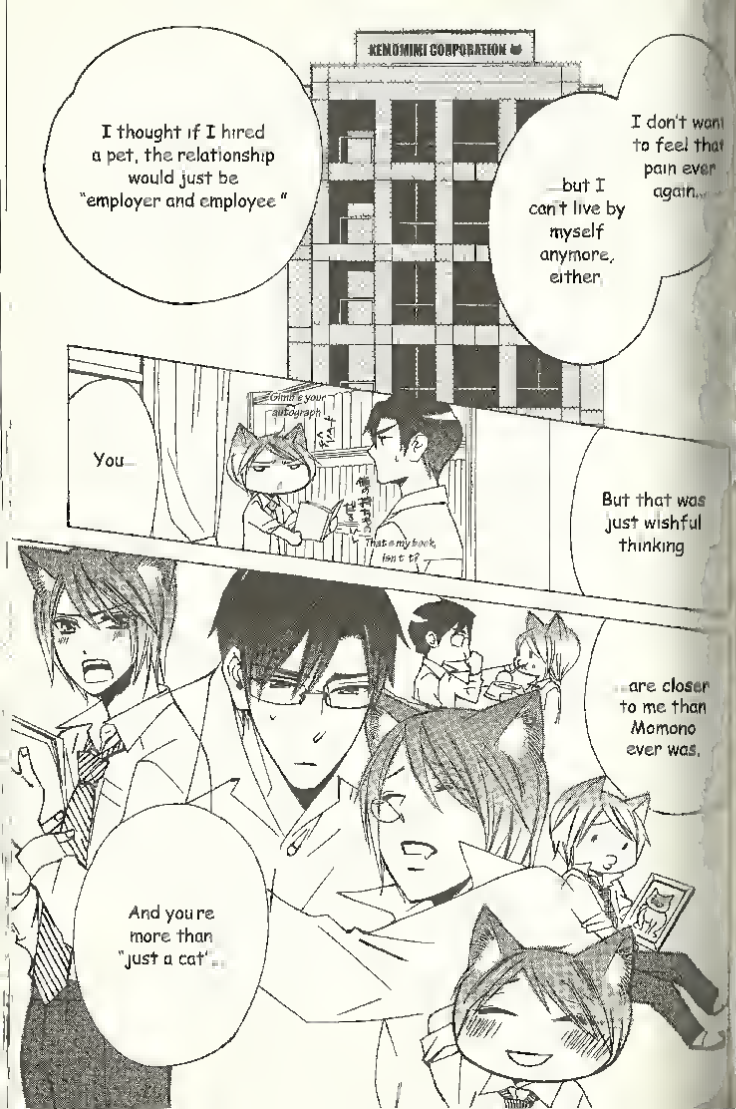

You... You need somebody around the house, don't you?
You want me to *buy* you?
No...

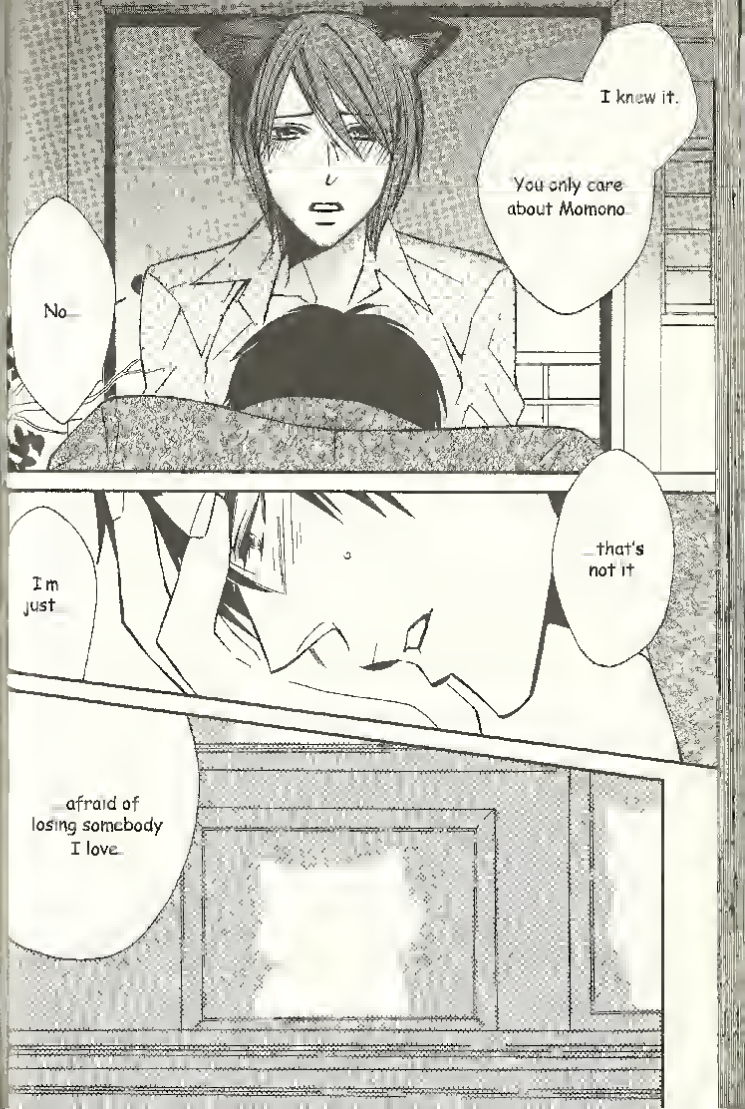
Hey, I've been thinking...
...I wouldn't mind being a "house cat" for you

...A SIMPLE CREATURE.
BONUS STORY
NEW DETECTIVE TAMA "MIDNIGHT PAIN"
IT WAS A MOONLESS NIGHT...
JUST A LITTLE THING LIKE THIS.

You're always...
...comparing me to Momono!
I didn't mean...
If...
...
...would that make you happy?
I did something with you that Momono couldn't do
Wha-?
I'll return you when the contract ends, Tama.
TWINGE
Wh-Why?
Then why?!
Because I'm...
...not as good as Momono?
I've really been helping you a lot with your work lately.
Yes, you've been very helpful


...make you happy, Soji...
Tama... Stop it!
You're a cat! Act like a cat!
Like Momono did!
Please...!
はぁ SIGH...
I can...


KEMONOMICHI CORPORATION
I thought if I hired a pet, the relationship would just be "employer and employee"
I don't want to feel that pain ever again...
...but I can't live by myself anymore, either.
Gimme your autograph
That's my book, isn't it?
You...
But that was just wishful thinking
...are closer to me than Momono ever was.
And you're more than "just a cat"...


I knew it.
You only care about Momono...
No...
...that's not it
I'm just...
...afraid of losing somebody I love...

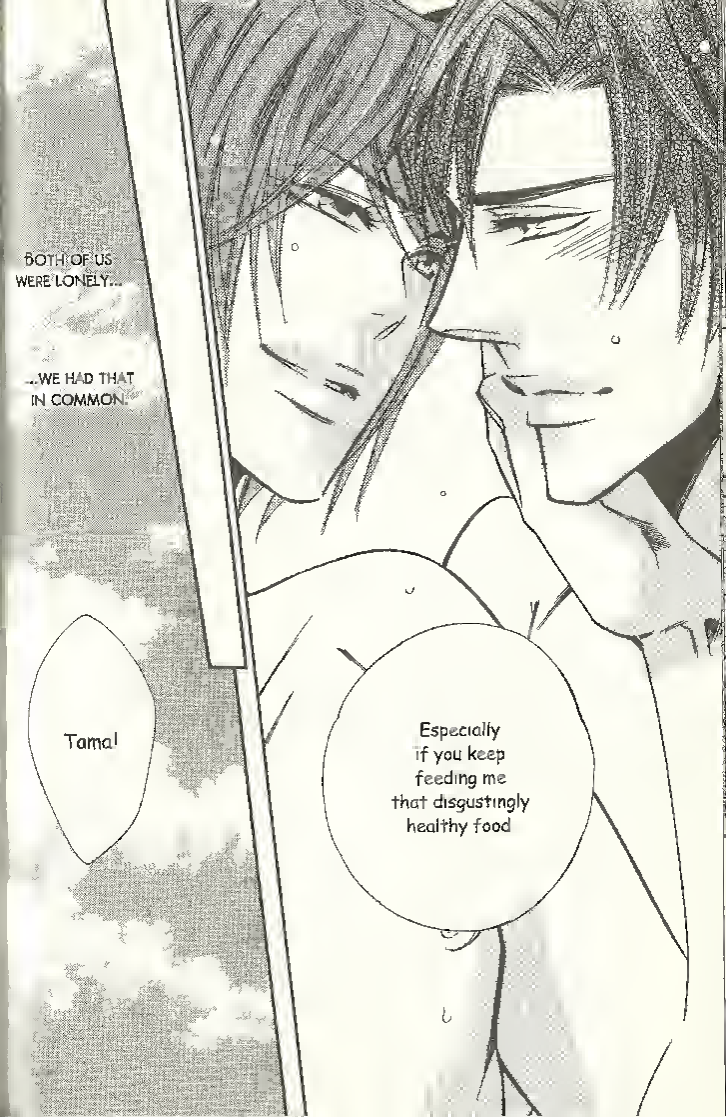
...when I think about losing you, I can't-
don't use your imagination like *that*
*SLAP
Idiot.
I've got nine lives...
I'll live a long time

I...
I fell in love with you
It was so painful when I lost Momono
And now...
Soji

The old lady never scolded me!
NYA
Mamono never did that.
OH WAIT...
Stealing food again

I guess it's...
HMPH
PAY-BACK

...to tame me...
It'll be...
...your turn...


BOTH OF US WERE LONELY...
...WE HAD THAT IN COMMON...
Tama!
Especially if you keep feeding me that disgustingly healthy food

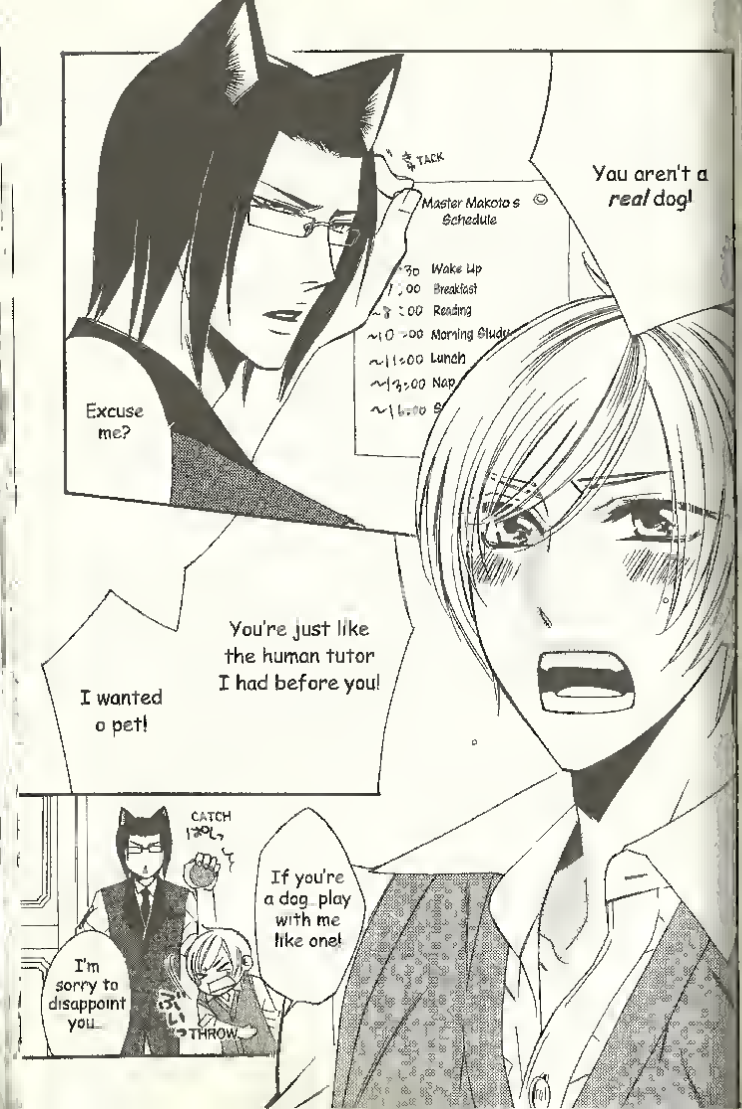
Part-Time Pets
Chapter 3

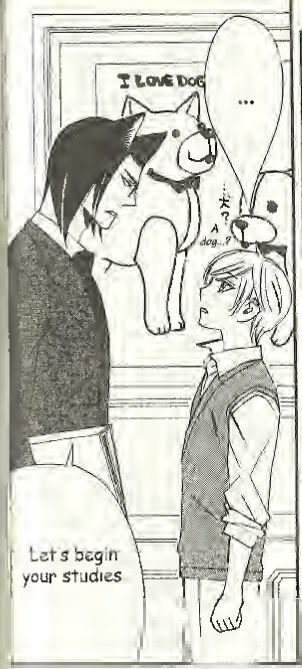
...more fun than... taming a kitten...
Sorry to be leaving before everyone else!
Congratulations
Mikezaki found a permanent home!
Chapter 2 * End
THE NEXT DAY...

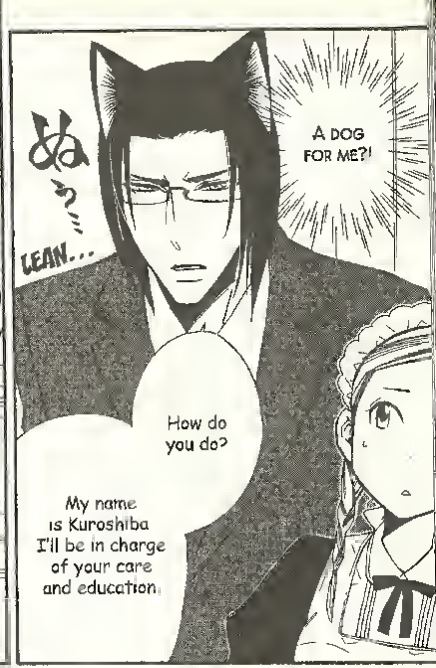
GRRR
PANT...
K-Kid...
PANT...
Don't come any closer...
ROLL
ROLL
RUSTLE
Huh...?
THUD
Ugh!
WHOOSH
No sign of him.
Look over there.
DASH
DASH
PANT...
PANT...
PANT...
PANT...
Damn...
BOUNCE

I've told you before... It's not good for your health to go outside.
Nono...
He snuck out again and fell asleep here...
Master... Master Makoto!
Nn...
NOD
NOD
HUH?!
222...
...
Master Makoto!
Master Makoto!
...I want a dog.
Oh, no... Your lungs are too weak. Dogs shed and that wouldn't be good for you.
TEN YEARS LATER...

SPECIAL MEETING ROO
Mr. Okura...
Hmm.
One moment in the endless flow of time.
Kuroshiba here is our company's most brilliant employee.
He's only available for service to our elite customers.
...WHEN HE CAME TO ME.
She's so lucky...
Nice weather, right Cocoa?
I WAS STILL WISHING FOR A DOG...
...WHILE CONFINED TO OUR MANSION...
Yes, sir.
Please take good care of him
Sir, I will...
...serve your son, Makoto, to the best of my abilities.
Master
Your father just called.
He said he's bringing a dog for you.
Really?!

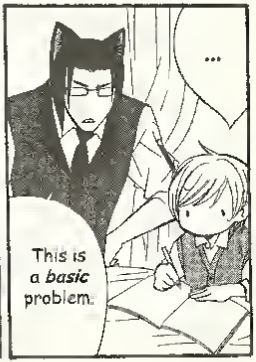

You aren't a *real* dog!
Excuse me?
Master Makoto's Schedule
Wake Up
Breakfast
Reading
Morning Study
Lunch
Nap
You're just like the human tutor I had before you!
I wanted a pet!
If you're a dog, play with me like one!
CATCH
THROW
I'm sorry to disappoint you...


I LOVE DOG
...
A dog...?
Let's begin your studies.


A DOG FOR ME?!
LEAN...
How do you do?
My name is Kuroshiba. I'll be in charge of your care and education.

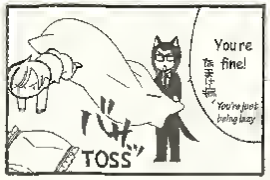
You...

You're holding your knife and fork all wrong.
SLAP

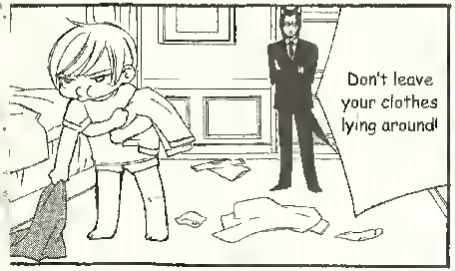

...
This is a *basic* problem.

SWISH
SWISH
130
130
PUMP
SWISH

It's time to wake up.
I think I have a fever I'm staying in bed

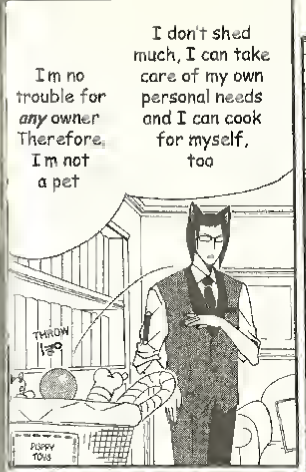

You're fine!
TOSS

HE'S SO IRRITATING!
Master Makoto
CHIRP
CHIRP
CHIRP

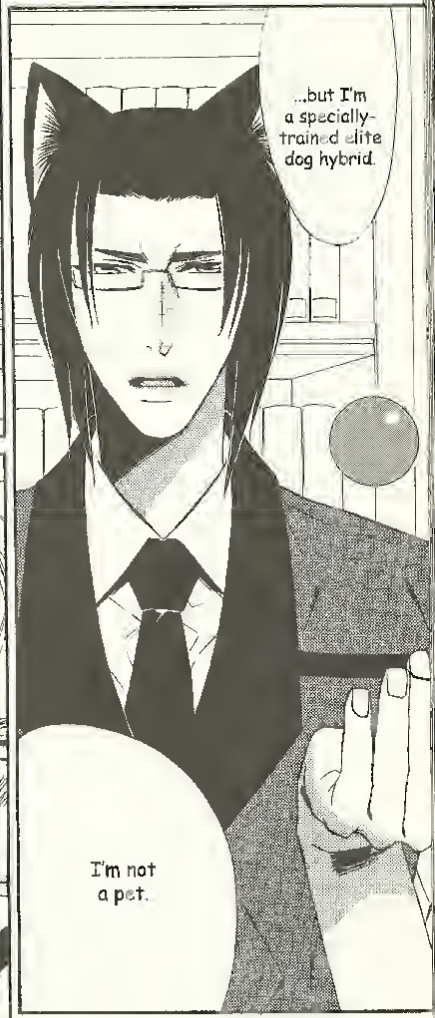

Don't leave your clothes lying around!

Don't make a mess!

But I don't like onions.
MOTIVATIONAL SCIENCE
They're good for you.
Eat them


I'm no trouble for any owner Therefore, I'm not a pet
I don't shed much, I can take care of my own personal needs and I can cook for myself, too
THRON
PUPPY TOYS

My job is to take care of those who cannot care for themselves
HE'S...!

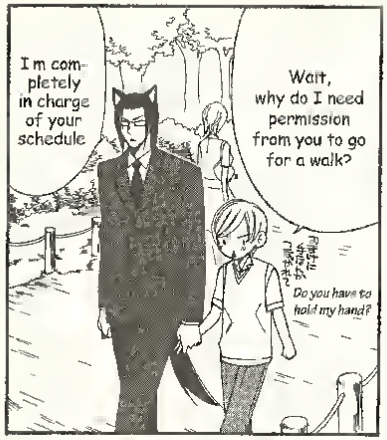

...but I'm a specially-trained elite dog hybrid.
I'm not a pet.

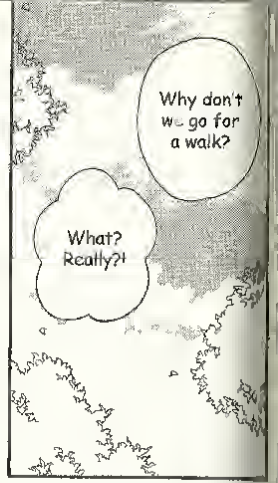
SO WHY IS HE...
DOGS ARE FRIENDLY ANIMALS, RIGHT?
IDEAL PICTURE
...GRUMPY, SERIOUS, INFLEXIBLE, HUGE, BLACK, UGLY, SCARY LOOKING...?
Huh?
せんろう終わりました
I'm done with the laundry.
Must be your imagination
Time to study.
Really?
ROCKET SCIENCE
It's STRANGE.
Hm.
Kuroshiba, have we met somewhere before?

ANNOYED
むかっ
An untrained dog is more manageable than you

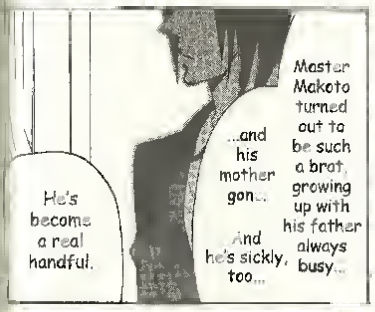
WHY ME?!
More studies?!
I'm going to do the laundry now.
Please attend to your studies.

SLAM ばんっ
Hm

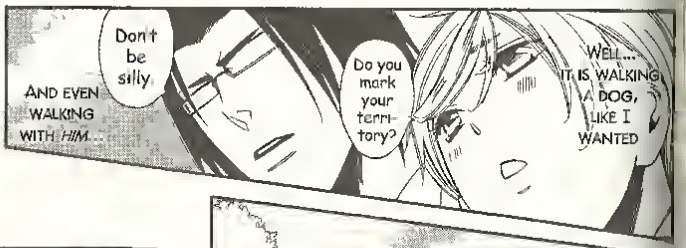

I'm completely in charge of your schedule
Wait, why do I need permission from you to go for a walk?
Do you have to hold my hand?

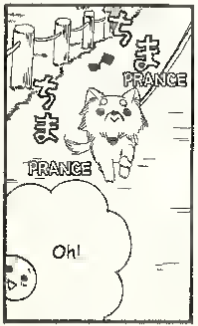

Why don't we go for a walk?
What? Really?!

Yes. He takes care of Master Makoto's selfish demands all by himself!
It's great!
The old ones lasted only a week or so.
The new tutor is doing a wonderful job.


He's become a real handful.
...and his mother gon...
And he's sickly, too...
Master Makoto turned out to be such a brat, growing up with his father always busy...

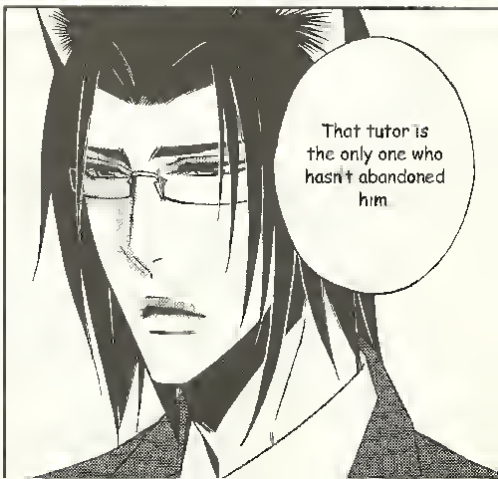
I FEEL LIKE...
...I'VE SEEN THOSE EYES, SOMEWHERE BEFORE...


AND EVEN WALKING WITH HIM...
Don't be silly.
Do you mark your territory?
WELL... IT IS WALKING A DOG, LIKE I WANTED


PRANCE
PRANCE
Oh!

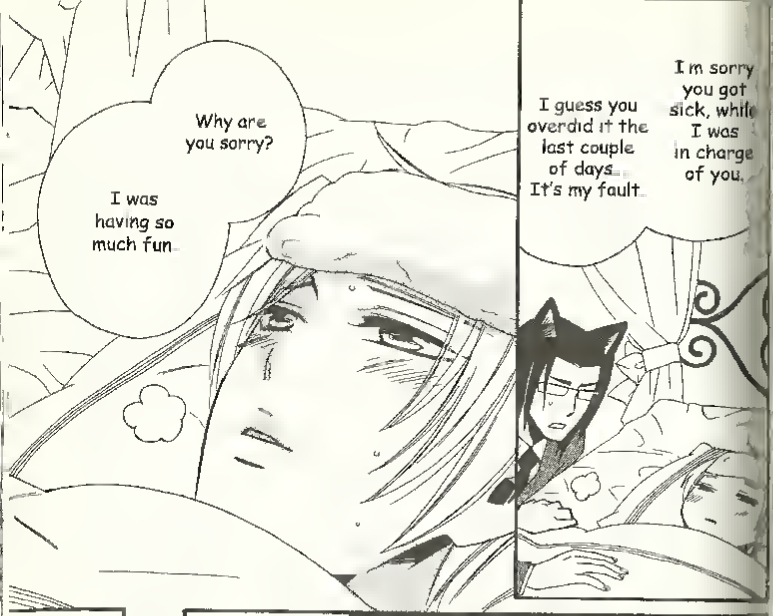
...IS WAY BETTER...
...THAN STAYING INSIDE.
I don't do that!
Master Makoto, you should also abstain from marking

I'm done, Kuroshiba
PHEW
Master Makoto


That tutor is the only one who hasn't abandoned him.

You shouldn't run!
It's not good for your health.
C'mon, chase me!
IT REALLY IS -
So, why don't you play with me?
It'll be fun!
Kuroshiba! C'mon!
I'VE BEEN ALONE FOR A LONG TIME.
Hey
Um -
FUN TO PLAY WITH YOUR DOG

Waaah!
So cute...
DRAG
Your father didn't give you permission to play with other dogs besides me
No.
GRAB
How cute!
No..!
but the truth is -
you'd be jealous if I played with another dog, right?
You blame my father
Don't grab me by the neck!
HMM INTERESTING REACTION.
I'm an elite breed, you know!
I don't have petty feelings like that!


Why are you sorry?
I was having so much fun...

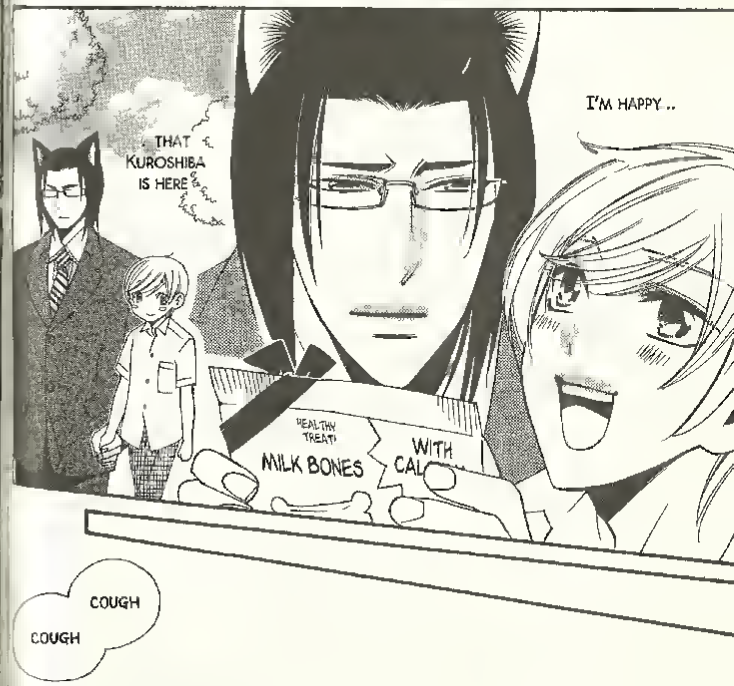
I guess you overdid it the last couple of days... It's my fault...
I'm sorry you got sick, while I was in charge of you...

TICK TOCK
TICK TOCK
TICK TOCK
TICK TOCK

...I've had fun...
...with somebody else
It's the first time...

HUH?
I'll make Kuro-shiba's food.
A little embarrassed
You have nice fur

Here
PINK
DO

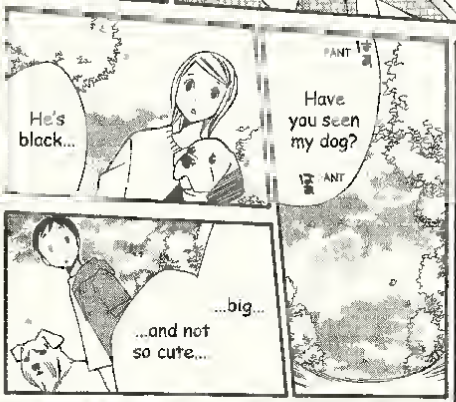

THAT KUROSHIBA IS HERE
I'M HAPPY ..
REAL THY TREAT
MILK BONES
WITH CAL
COUGH
COUGH

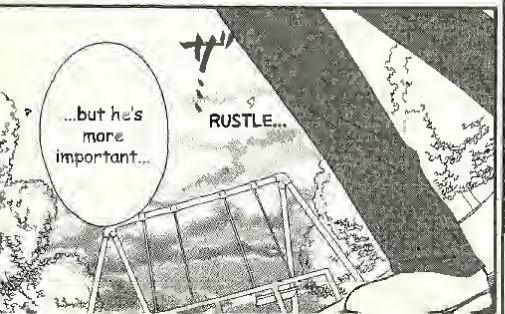
Kuroshiba
Ha ha ha!
Silly! You're tickling me!
Ha...
WHAT THE-?!
Mmm...
Hm...?

...IT'S NOT LIKE I DIDN'T LIKE IT.
BUT...
Silly Kuroshiba
...TOTALLY DIFFERENT FROM A 'FRIENDLY KISS," RIGHT?
No way
Why why?
ぼふっ
FLOMP
I really
You're not just my tutor anymore
...care about you...

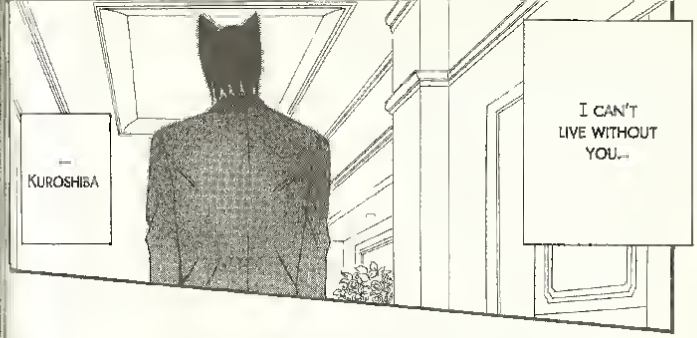
Did you just...?
FLUSH
GASP
Kuro-
I'm sorry
SWISH
TH-THUMP
TH-THUMP
TH-THUMP
THAT WAS..
SLAM

...WOULD LEAVE ITS MASTER?
Ah...
A DOG...
I don't know...
He left Kemomimi Corporation. We don't know where he is or what he's doing now.
Wha-?


He's black...
PANT
Have you seen my dog?
PANT
...big...
...and not so cute...


...but he's more important...
RUSTLE...

THAT CAN'T HAPPEN!
Master Makoto!


—KUROSHIBA
I CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT YOU...

BUT THEN...

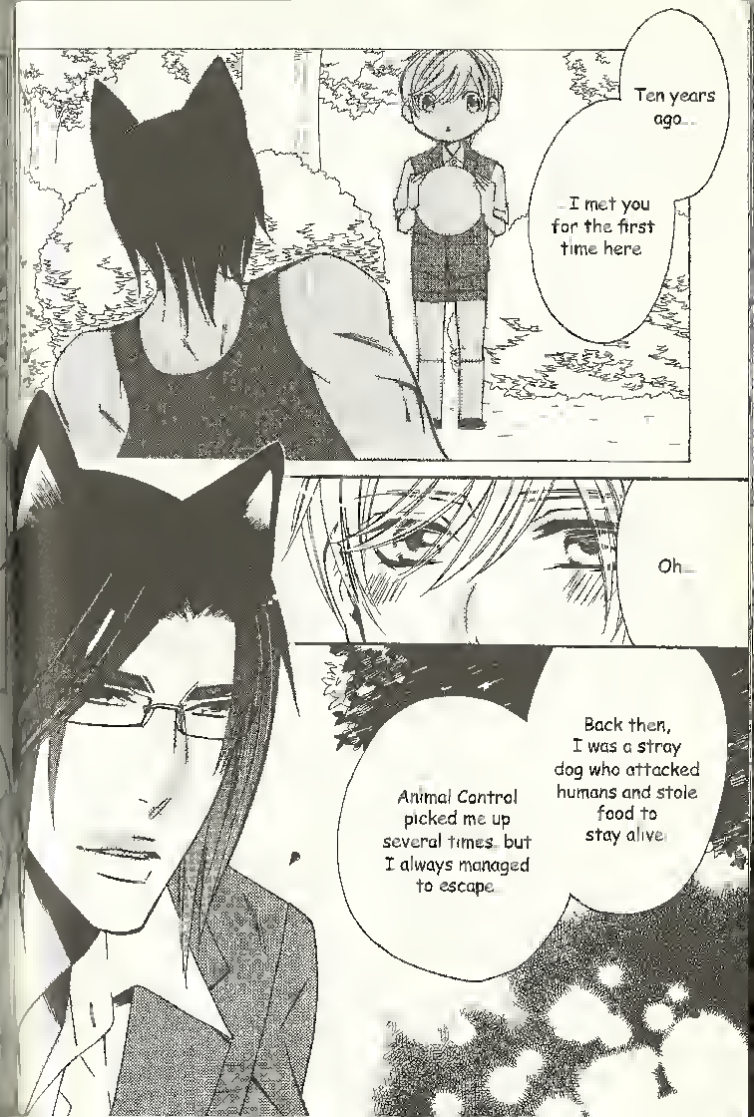
What... What's going on here?! Where did he go?!
How do you do, Master Makoto?
はじめまして、真様♥
Yes. My name is Chizu Maruta. I'm Kuroshiba's replacement.

He...
—quit?

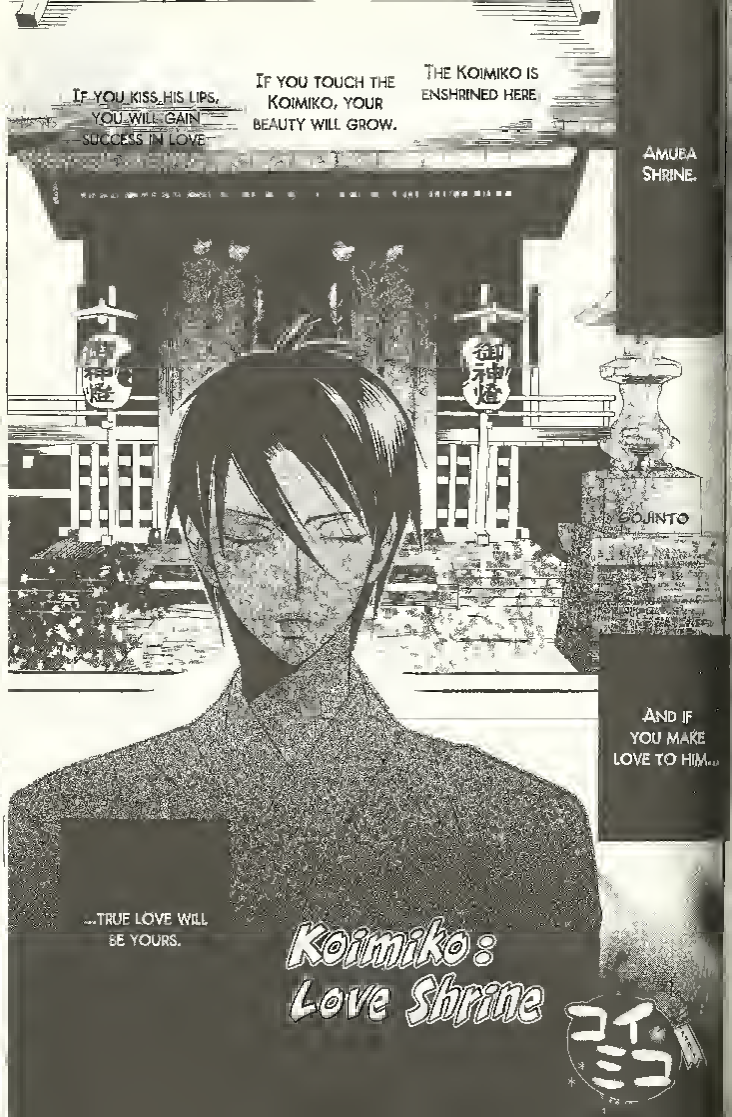
Master Makoto...
SNIFFLE
SNIFFLE
Don't leave your master!
You idiot!
ドン
GLOMP...
This place is...
...I had to come back to this place again.
I was meaning to stay away, but...

HE'S MORE IMPORTANT THAN ANYTHING TO ME.
Kuroshiba!

I was wild...
If they'd have caught me again, they would've put me down...
...but you weren't afraid of me
You helped me
Not only with my wounds, but...
...my heart, too...


Ten years ago...
...I met you for the first time here
Oh...
Back then, I was a stray dog who attacked humans and stole food to stay alive.
Animal Control picked me up several times, but I always managed to escape.

HUG
You idiot.
Lust or not, it doesn't matter.
I know you love me.
...with lust. I'm the worst...
And you care about me more than anybody else does
Kuroshiba, caring about me
It was all in the hope of paying you back someday...
You...
...have paid me back.
That was my original intention.
I changed completely.
I left my lousy life behind and started working seriously.
I became the best in my profession.
But now when I see you...
...I can't hold back my feelings and I can't stop myself.
...to look at my master...
It's not right...


IF YOU KISS HIS LIPS, YOU WILL GAIN SUCCESS IN LOVE
IF YOU TOUCH THE KOIMIKO, YOUR BEAUTY WILL GROW.
THE KOIMIKO IS ENSHRINED HERE
AMUBA SHRINE.
GOJINTO
AND IF YOU MAKE LOVE TO HIM...
...TRUE LOVE WILL BE YOURS.
Koimiko: Love Shrine
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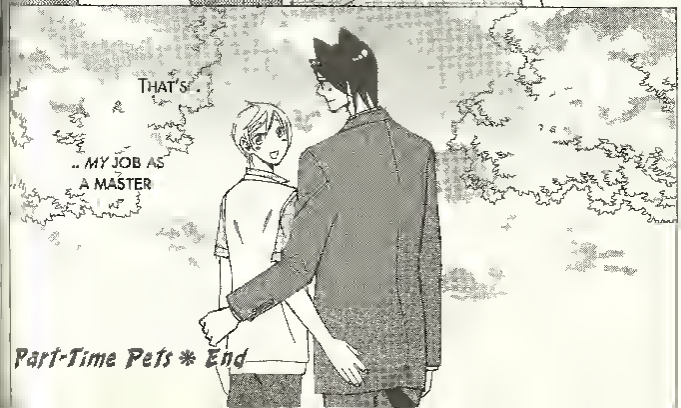
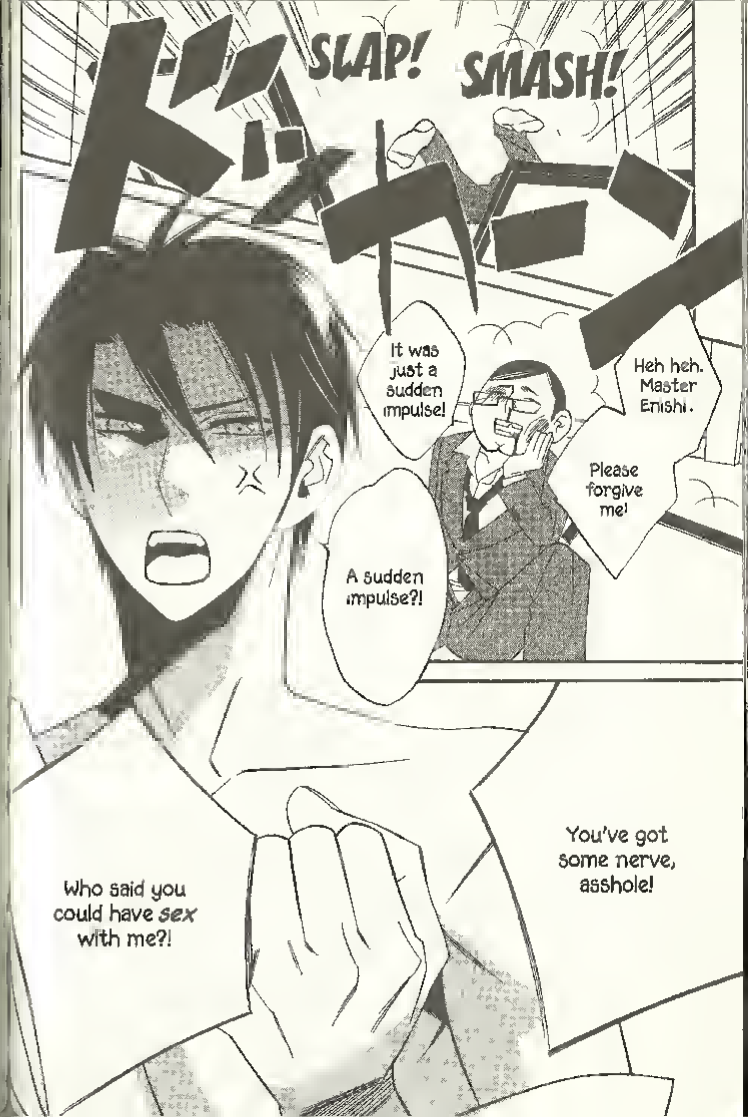
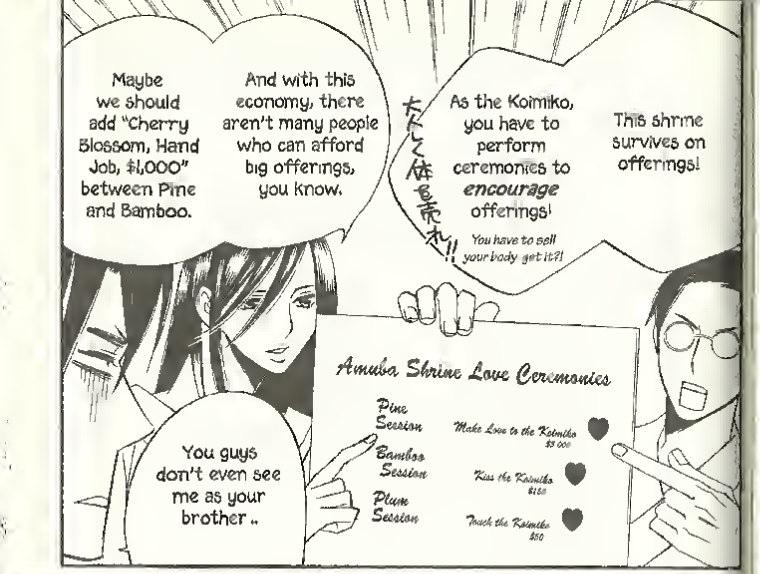


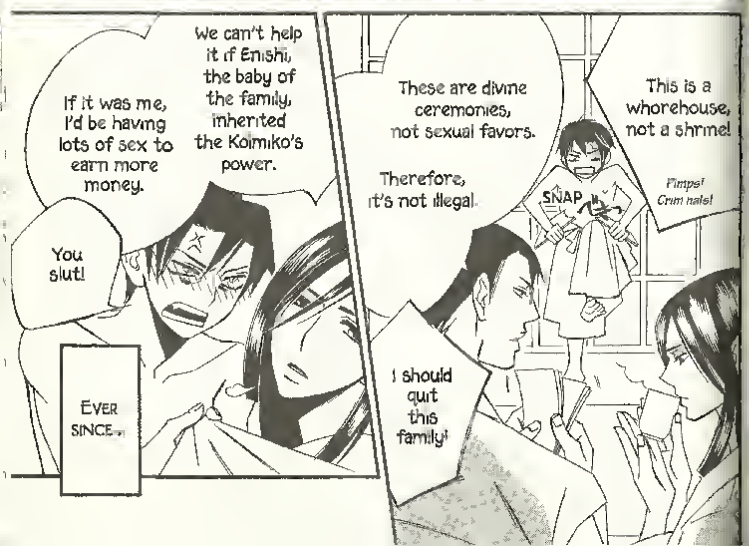
*Part-Time Pets * End*

HOWEVER...
N-
No...!
NO ENT
DURIN
CEREM
Koimiko: Love Shrine
PART 1
ENISHI AMUBA.
HE'S THE NEW KOIMIKO, A YOUNG PRIEST WITH THE POWER TO GRANT LOVE.

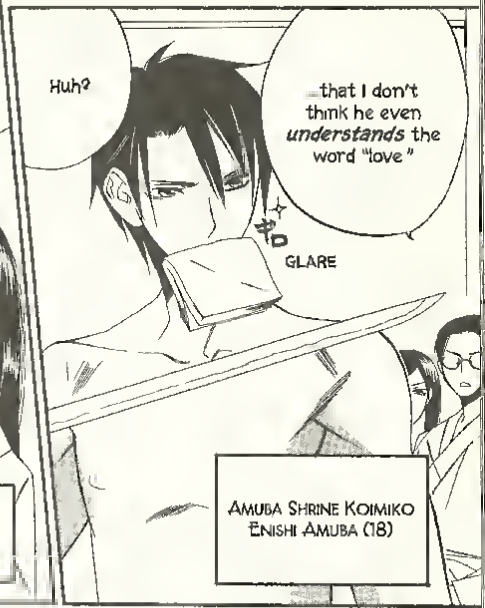
If you make love to him...
...true love will be yours. Hmm.
DASH DASH
AAAARRRGH!
I'll curse you to death, before you ever find true love!
Our Komiko...
...is so rough...
This might be the end of Amuba Shrine.
SIGH..
Amuba Shrine Priest
Mamoru Amuba (28)


SLAP!
SMASH!
It was just a sudden impulse!
Heh heh. Master Enishi.
Please forgive me!
A sudden impulse?!
You've got some nerve, asshole!
Who said you could have sex with me?!

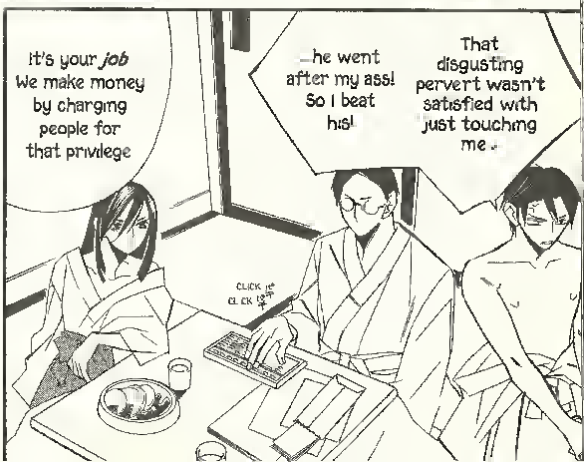

Maybe we should add "Cherry Blossom, Hand Job, $1,000" between Pine and Bamboo.
And with this economy, there aren't many people who can afford big offerings, you know.
As the Koimiko, you have to perform ceremonies to encourage offerings!
You have to sell your body, get it?!
This shrine survives on offerings!
Amuba Shrine Love Ceremonies
Pine Session
Make Love to the Koimiko $5,000
Bamboo Session
Kiss the Koimiko $150
Plum Session
Touch the Koimiko $50
You guys don't even see me as your brother..


If it was me, I'd be having lots of sex to earn more money.
We can't help it if Enishi, the baby of the family, inherited the Koimiko's power.
You slut!
EVER SINCE...
These are divine ceremonies, not sexual favors.
Therefore, it's not illegal.
This is a whorehouse, not a shrine!
Pimps! Crim nals!
SNAP
I should quit this family!

Do you have to hit the customers and run them off?
He's right.
Shut up!
AMUBA SHRINE ATTENDANT
NAGARE AMUBA (20)

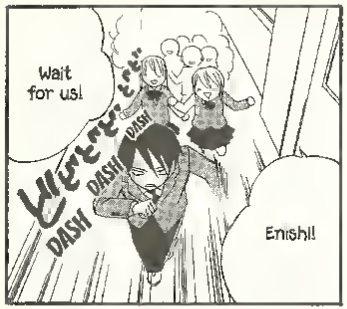

Huh?
...that I don't think he even understands the word "love"
GLARE
AMUBA SHRINE KOIMIKO
ENISHI AMUBA (18)

That's right, Enishi!
SWISH


It's your job We make money by charging people for that privilege
...he went after my ass! So I beat his!
That disgusting pervert wasn't satisfied with just touching me..
CLICK CLICK

I can never relax.
Good morning
The kids are like hungry wolves.
Good morning
Morning
I CAN'T TRUST ANYBODY. IT'S A CRUEL WORLD.
HERE IT COMES...
By the way—
I have a crush on Miyo in the class next door.
FLINCH
Enishi...
ALERT
No, I didn't
What is it?
DUCK
Hey Enishi, did you do your homework?
DUCK
Wanna copy mine?
Thank you.
WHENEVER THERE'S A FRIEND WHO'S USUALLY NICE...

If you have sex with him, you can get anybody to love you!
...PEOPLE HAVE BEEN ALL OVER ME.
I told a boy I loved him after kissing Master Enishi and now we're together!
If you touch Master Enishi, you'll be beautiful.
...THIS STUPID POWER AROSE WITHIN ME...
This is a secret, but...
How do you think I got this way?!
WAVE
I've learned how to protect myself since then!
Yeah yeah...
DAY-TRADING FOR BEGINNERS
EVEN AT SCHOOL...



...I hate love!

...I hate

hate..

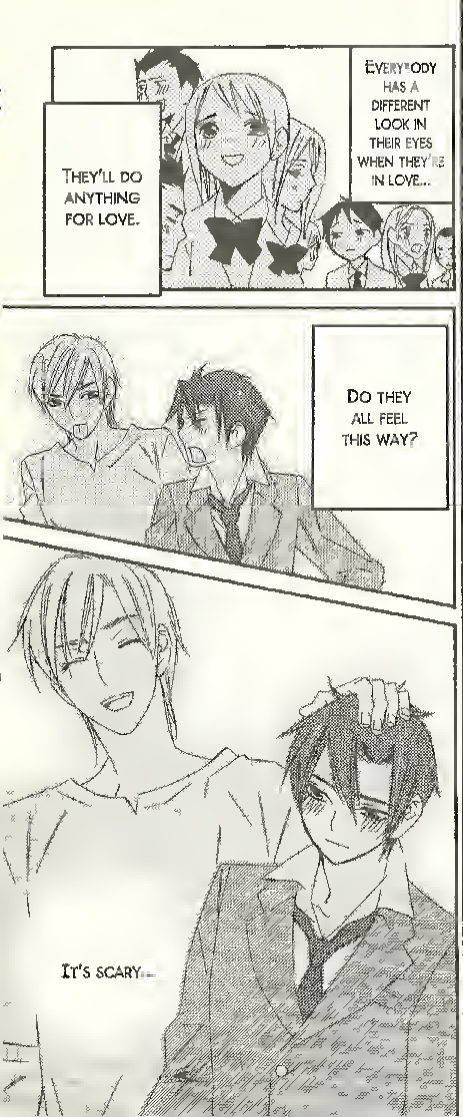
So I...

...HE'S THE NUMBER ONE CHOICE FOR "PERSON I WANT TO FALL IN LOVE WITH ME" AT SCHOOL.
WITH HIS SWEET FACE AND FRIENDLY DEMEANOR...
You there.. No taking cell phone pictures in class.
Well, I don't have to depend on your help Girls want me anyways.
.. BUT HE'S THE ONLY ONE I CAN TALK TO NORMALLY.
THERE'RE TONS OF TEACHERS AFTER MY POWER...
HE'S THE ONLY ONE...
Oh, really? That's too bad.
It's because of *you* that all the girls are after my body
HA HA HA HA
HAPPY
LUNCHES GIRLS GAVE HIM

Mr. Suzumori
Kyaah!
Go sit down, you guys
...
FLOCK
FLOCK
Sensei
Sensei
PANT
PANT
THIS GUY IS MY HOMEROOM TEACHER, SUZUMORI
Yeah, thanks to you.
Hey, Enishi. Still alive?
Your nipples are showing

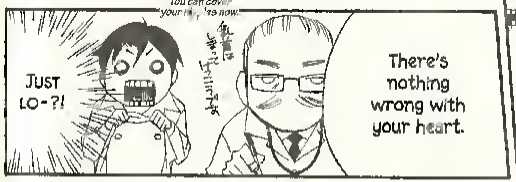
Good
You're
improving!
...IT MAKES
ME HAPPY
...SCOLDS ME
OR PRAISES ME
LIKE THERE'S
NOTHING
SPECIAL
ABOUT ME...
HUH?
PAT
PAT
You can do
it if you try
ドキ,
TH-
THUMP
SO HAPPY...

Maybe he's only
nice to me because
I'm isolated from
the others...
I DON'T
MIND.
...I FEEL
COMFORTABLE
WITH.
Eat your
vegetables, too.
SLAP
ビシ
Ouch
Keep your
grades up!
WHEN
HE...
BECAUSE OF
MY POWER,
PEOPLE TREAT ME
DIFFERENTLY...
...OR LOOK AT
ME FUNNY.

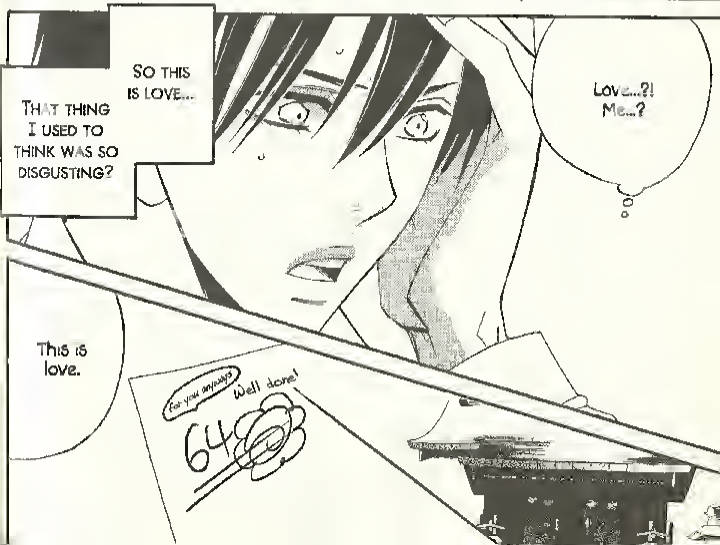

EVERYBODY HAS A DIFFERENT LOOK IN THEIR EYES WHEN THEY'RE IN LOVE...
THEY'LL DO ANYTHING FOR LOVE.
DO THEY ALL FEEL THIS WAY?
IT'S SCARY...

Such a tiny thing could make me so happy?

It's just love.
EALTH
FFICE


You can cover your ears, too now.
JUST LO-?!
There's nothing wrong with your heart.

WHAT WAS THAT?
My heart just skipped a beat.
TH- TH- THUM- THUM...
IT'S HARD TO BREATHE...


THAT THING I USED TO THINK WAS SO DISGUSTING?
SO THIS IS LOVE...
LOVE...?! ME...?
THIS IS LOVE.
For you anyway. Well done!
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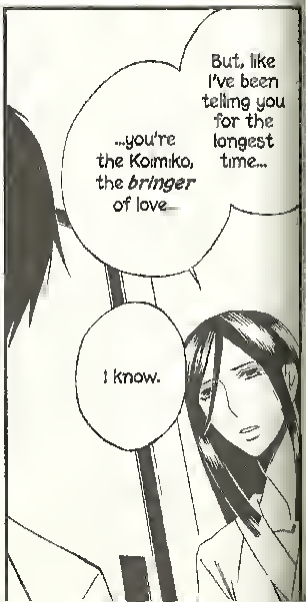
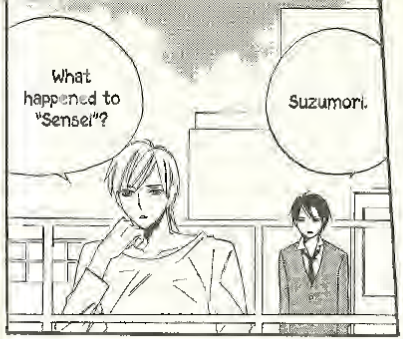
...you've grown...
...Enishi.

The Koimiko's role is to bring love to other people.
Not myself.

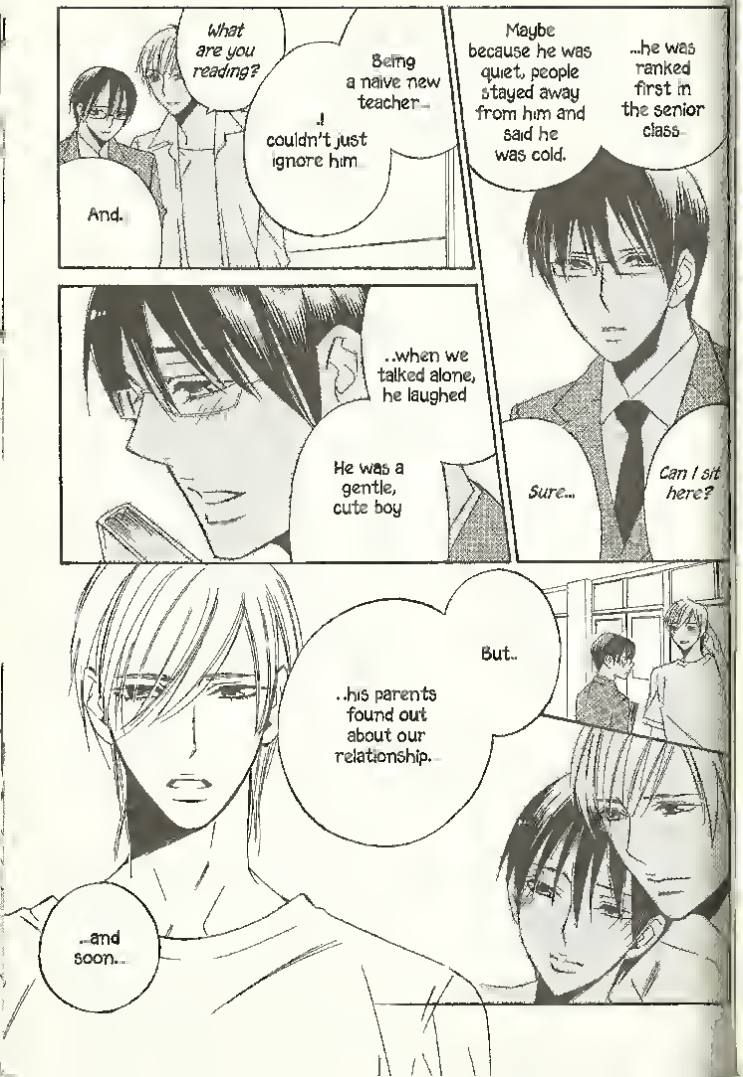

But, like I've been telling you for the longest time...
...you're the Koimiko, the *bringer* of love...
I know.

THIS AGONIZING FEELING..
...CAN BE INFLUENCED BY THE KOIMIKO'S POWER?

You saw only the surface of love before. But now...
I see..
I NEVER WANTED TO KNOW THIS FEELING

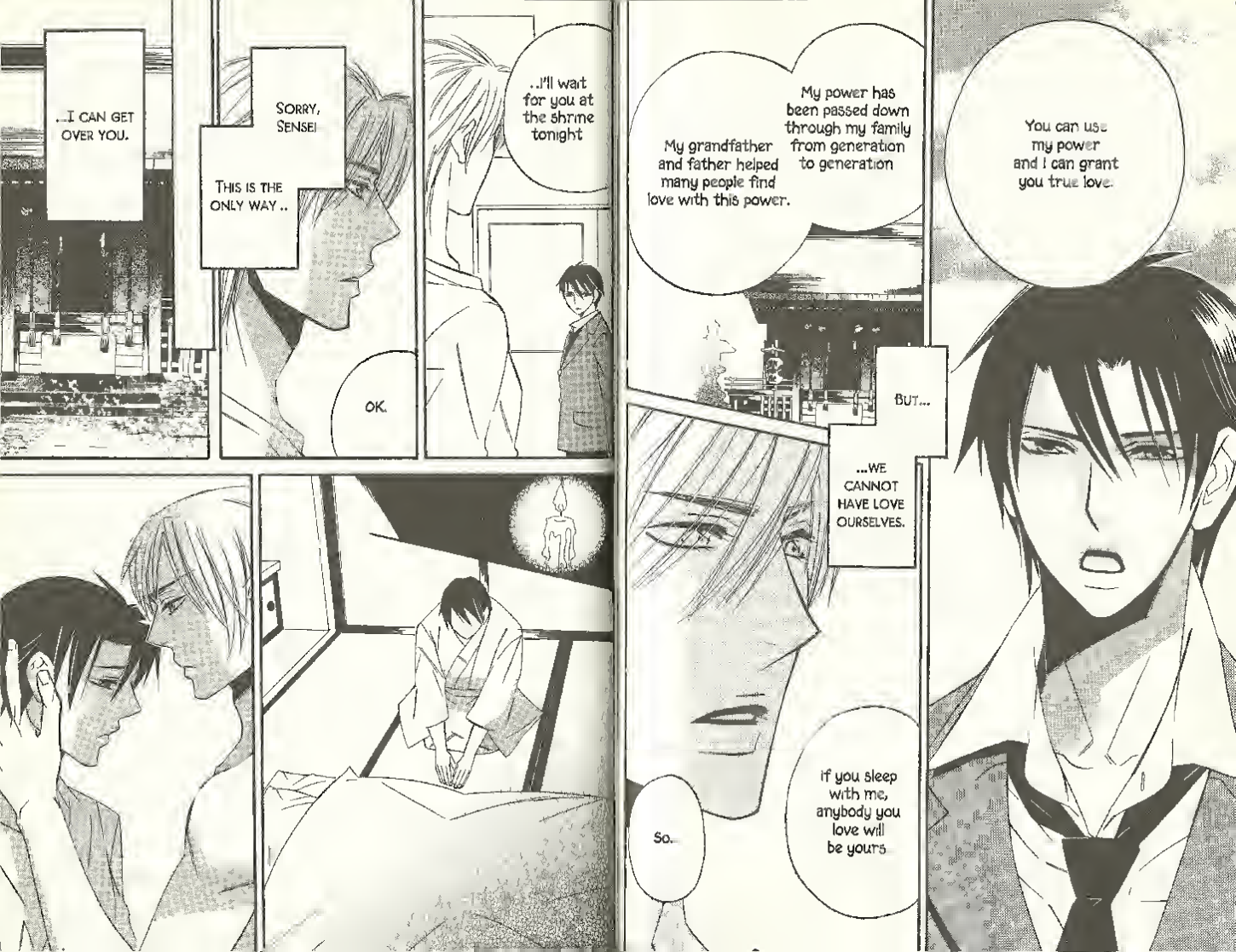


I CAN'T BRING LOVE TO MYSELF.

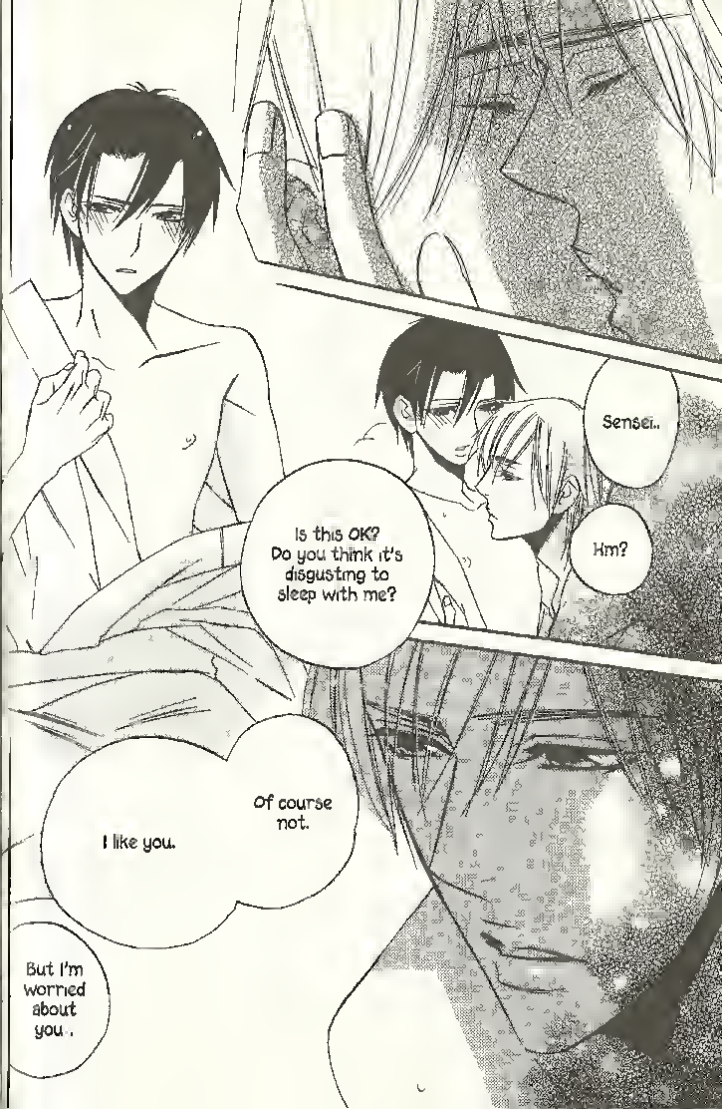

What are you reading?
Being a naive new teacher...
I couldn't just ignore him...!
And.
Maybe because he was quiet, people stayed away from him and said he was cold.
...he was ranked first in the senior class...
Sure...
Can I sit here?
...
...when we talked alone, he laughed
He was a gentle, cute boy
But..
...his parents found out about our relationship...
...and soon...

He said, "No"...
...
Yeah.
There is somebody I can't forget.
...and that's why you're single
...girls saying that you can't forget someone you loved before...
It's warm on the roof.
When I started teaching here...
You're always reading up here.

Do you want to be with him again?
...
If I could...
I THOUGHT I WAS READY FOR THIS...
!
...BUT IT STILL HURTS...
Then...
...why don't you use me?
I'm sorry, Sensei.
...they separated us
You're dating a man?! That's unacceptable!
I'll sue that teacher!
Do you really need this kind of scandal right before your college entrance exams?!
Do you still love him?
Yes...


You can use my power and I can grant you true love.
My power has been passed down through my family from generation to generation
My grandfather and father helped many people find love with this power.
BUT...
...WE CANNOT HAVE LOVE OURSELVES.
if you sleep with me, anybody you love will be yours
So..
..I'll wait for you at the shrine tonight
SORRY, SENSEI
THIS IS THE ONLY WAY ..
OK.
..I CAN GET OVER YOU.

I'll be OK.
IF HE CAN'T LOVE ME BACK...
...I JUST WANT THIS ONE TIME, FOR MYSELF.
Enishi...
...I'm sorry for using you.


Sensei..
Hm?
Is this OK? Do you think it's disgusting to sleep with me?
Of course not.
I like you.
But I'm worried about you.

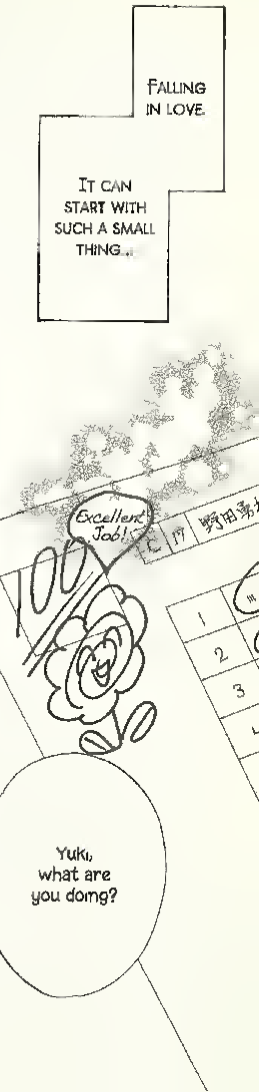
That guy, Suzumori, had a student who died five years ago.
People say they were lovers.
The guy that Enishi is performing a ceremony for tonight...
I checked him out to make sure he'd pay up and-
He doesn't have to pay
Enishi's doing this voluntarily.
That's not it..
He's no longer in this world.
TUMP
TUMP
Huh?!
Then the person he wants to be with most is...
Yes.

This...
..helped me make up my mind.
What is it, Nagare?
Hey!
There's a problem, Mamoru!

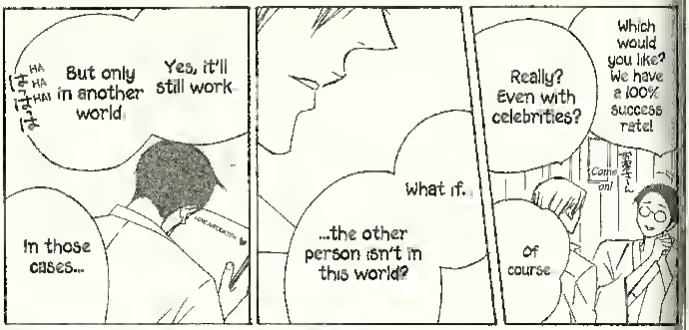
Koimiko: Love Shrine Part 1 * End

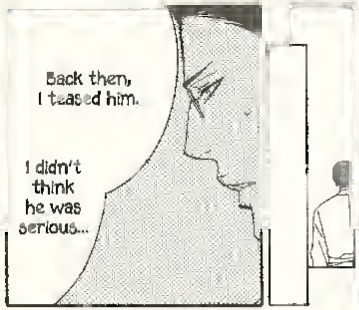
When I get 100% on a test, my parents and other teachers say, "As expected." Nobody ever praised me before...
...so this made me happy
BACK THEN, I WAS SURE...
I see..
...WE WOULD ALWAYS BE TOGETHER.
It's been five years, Yuki.

Oh, nothing.
What's that? Something you can't show me?
It's... a test
Oh, you're studying?
No
I like to look at it sometimes to cheer myself up.
The flower you drew for me on my test...


FALLING IN LOVE
IT CAN START WITH SUCH A SMALL THING...
Excellent Job!
100
Yuki, what are you doing?

What...?!
I can perform a ceremony without your permission, can't I?
Listen
A person who has sex with the Komiko will always attain true love
You've done a terrible thing.
Enishi.
PANT
for five years
you've been waiting for me?
You're still here
That means...
...
If I go with you..
The person Suzumori loves..
What are you saying?
That's why we check clients' backgrounds to make sure they don't use your power in a bad way.
Always.
It was my mistake. I neglected to check Suzumori's background.
PANT
PANT
PANT
PANT
..I won't have to suffer anymore


HA HA HA
But only in another world
Yes, it'll still work
In those cases...
What if...
...the other person isn't in this world?
Really? Even with celebrities?
Which would you like? We have a 100% success rate!
Come on!
Of course

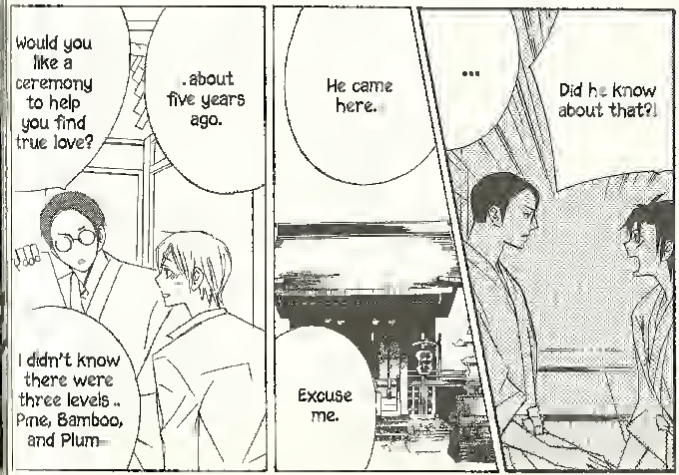

Back then, I teased him.
I didn't think he was serious...

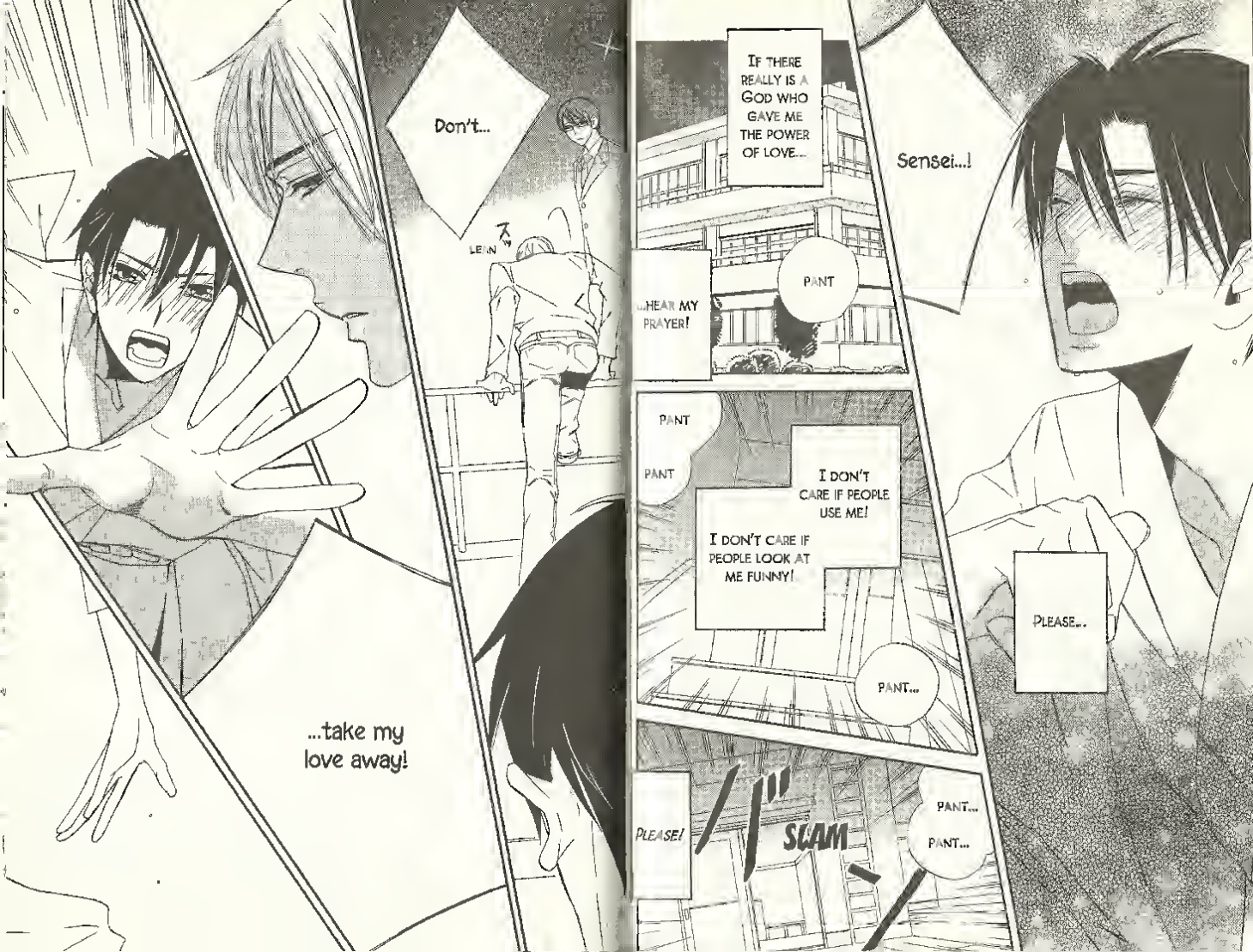
...we tear up the application because it's too dangerous

PANT
PANT
S-
Sensei..

Enishi!
SLAM

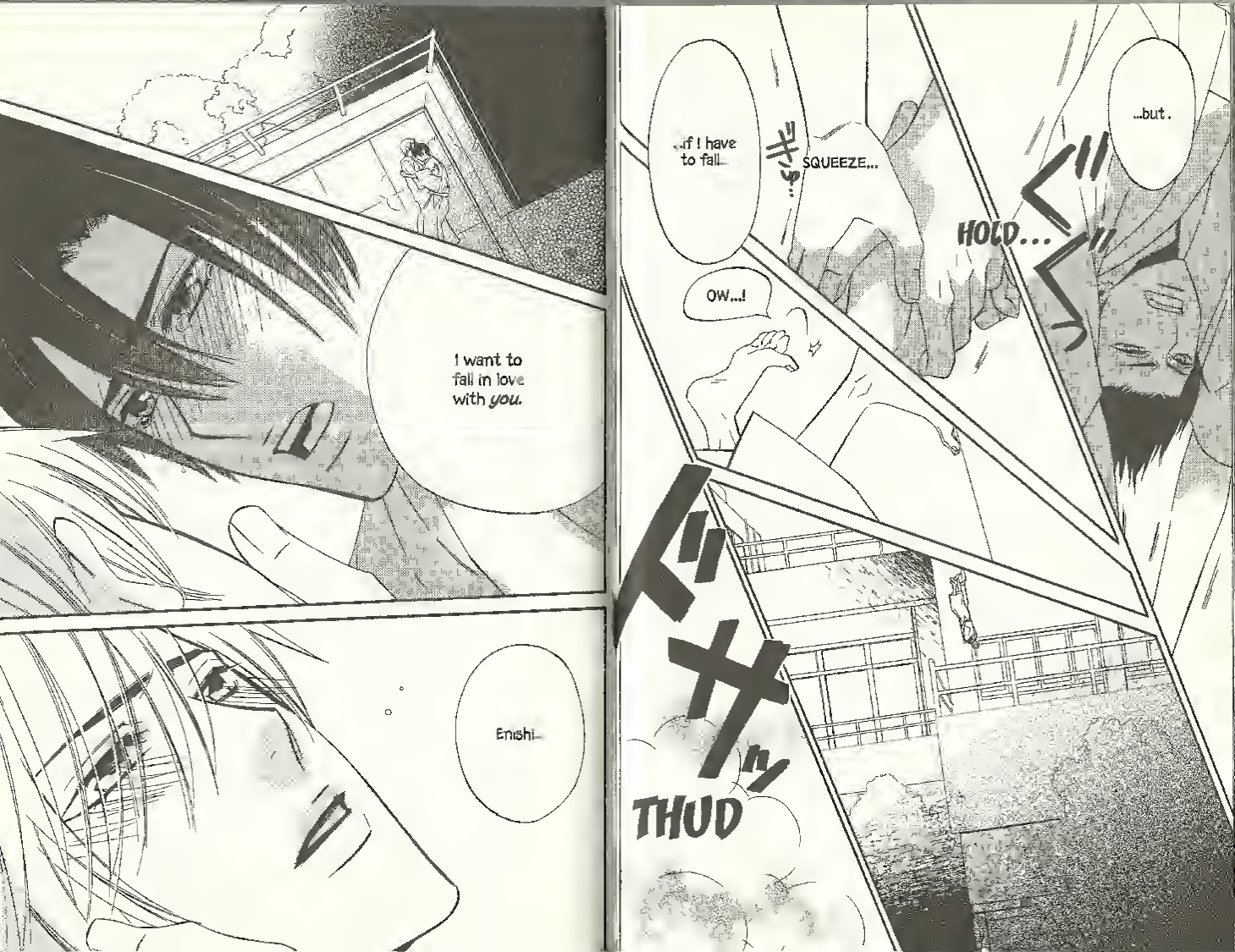
...the client will find love in the next world. He'll die
I don't believe it...
But the Komiko's power is absolute
We can't bring back the dead
So that means...
...died five years ago.
What?!
Then Suzumori is...

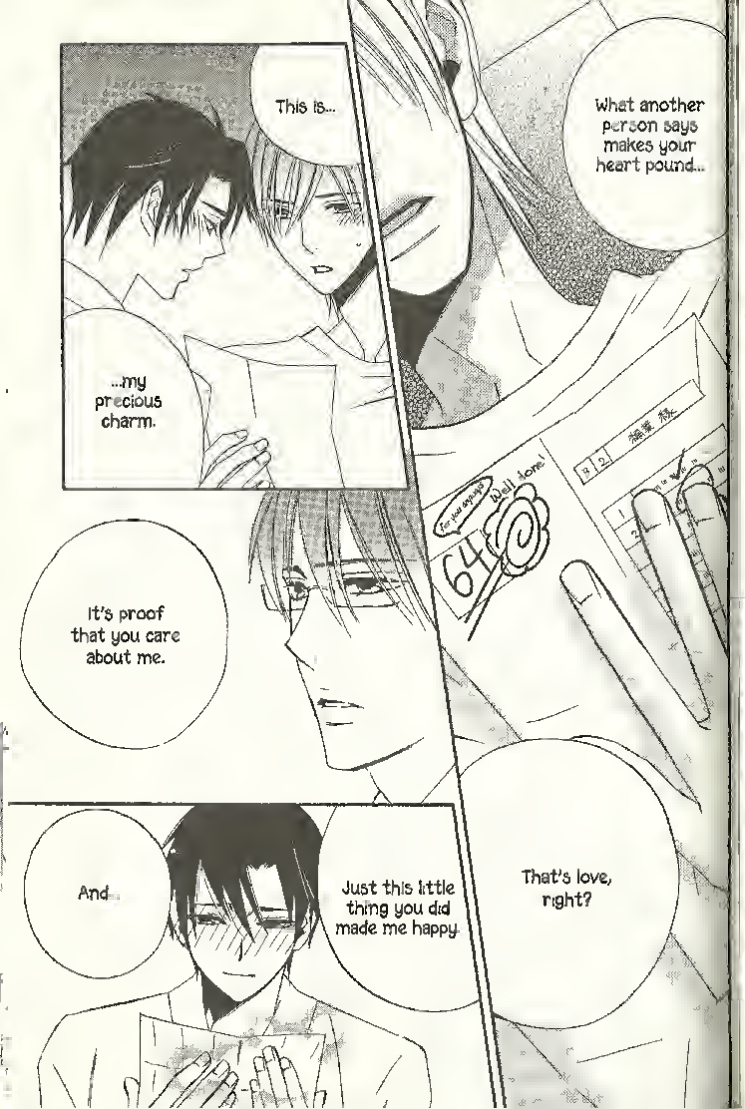

Would you like a ceremony to help you find true love?
...about five years ago.
I didn't know there were three levels.. Pine, Bamboo, and Plum...
He came here.
Excuse me.
...
Did he know about that?!

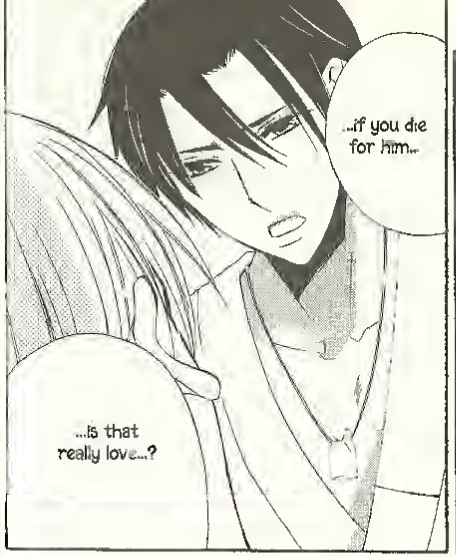

Don't...
LEAN
...take my love away!
IF THERE REALLY IS A GOD WHO GAVE ME THE POWER OF LOVE...
...HEAR MY PRAYER!
PANT
PANT
PANT
I DON'T CARE IF PEOPLE USE ME!
I DON'T CARE IF PEOPLE LOOK AT ME FUNNY!
PANT...
PLEASE!
SLAM
PANT...
PANT...
Sensei...!
PLEASE...

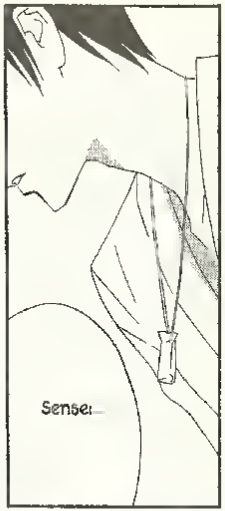
I love you, Sensei!
I'll never let you die!
GRIP
Ngh.
Enishi, let go...!
You'll fall, too!
I'm not scared.

Sensei...!

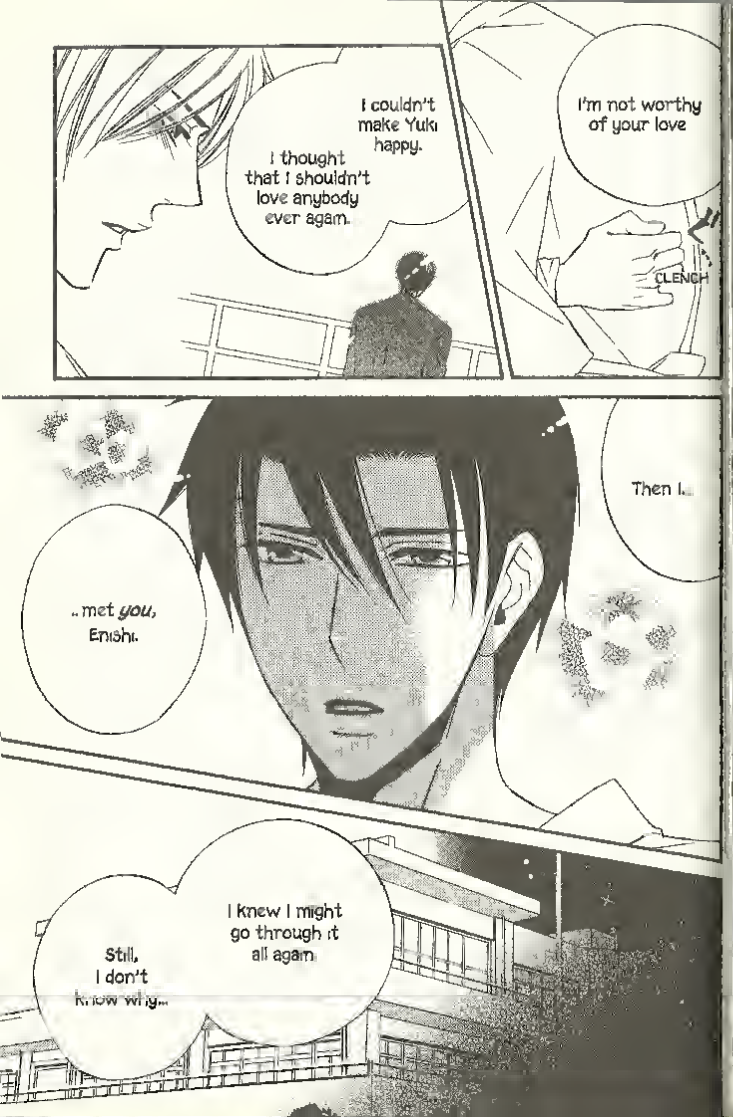

I want to fall in love with *you*.
Enishi...
...but.
HOLD...
SQUEEZE...
...if I have to fall...
OW...!
THUD


This is...
...my precious charm.
What another person says makes your heart pound...
It's proof that you care about me.
That's love, right?
And...
Just this little thing you did made me happy.

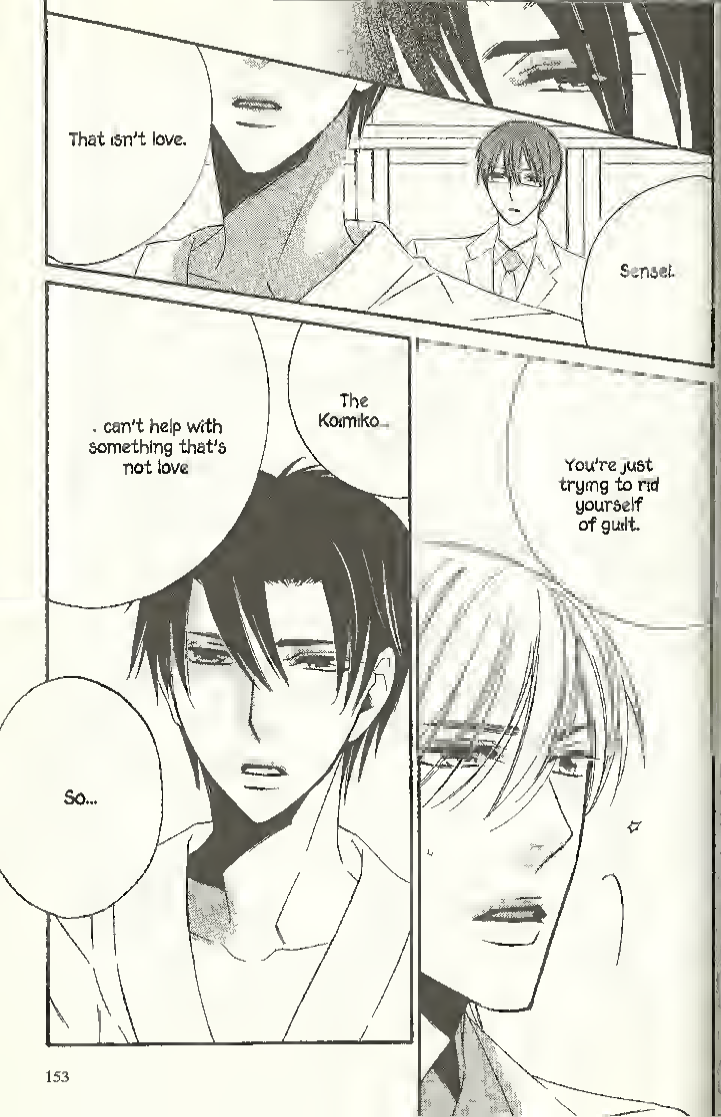

...if you die for him...
...is that really love...?

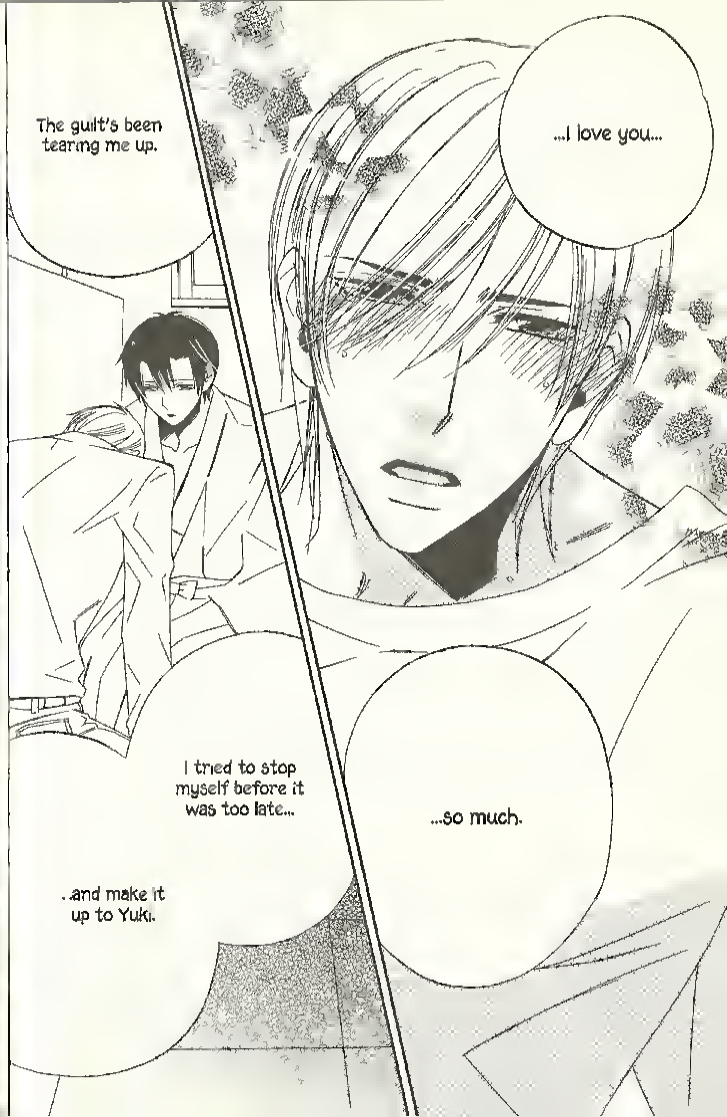

Sense...

Love is...
...being happy...
...or sad together, about little things.


I couldn't make Yuki happy.
I thought that I shouldn't love anybody ever again.
I'm not worthy of your love
CLENCH
Then I...
..met you, Enishi.
Still, I don't know why...
I knew I might go through it all again.

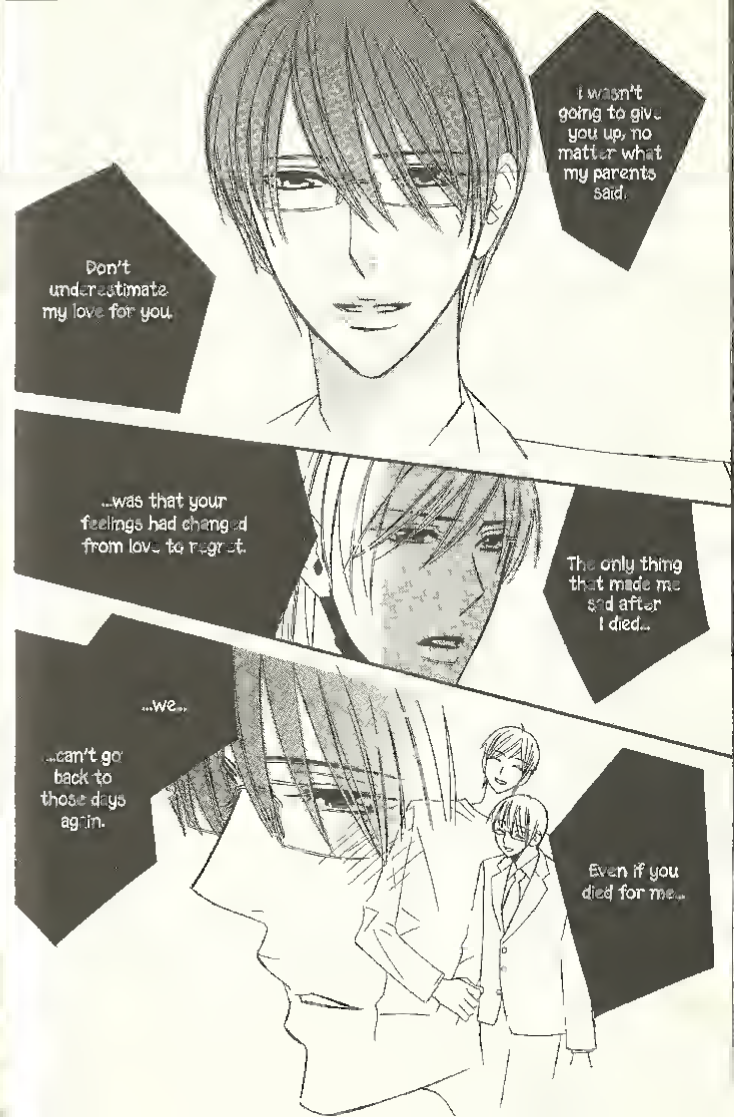
..when I found out you loved somebody else, it made me sad..
..taught me how to love
Sensei, you..
Enishi.
It's no good.
...


That isn't love.
Sensei.
. can't help with something that's not love
The Komiko...
You're just trying to rid yourself of guilt.
So...


The guilt's been tearing me up.
...I love you...
I tried to stop myself before it was too late...
...so much.
. .and make it up to Yuki.

...and I came to the roof.
...I ran out of the house after my parents told me to leave you...
...that on that day...
I stopped here just to tell you...
Wait, Yuki!
I always came here when I had a hard time...
...to look at the test you drew the flower on. It usually cheered me up...
I didn't come here to die.
It was an accident.
Oh, no...
Can't reach
Oh!
But it was windy that day...
SWOOSH
Besides...
...you won't die...
...and you can't be with him in the next world.
Yuki...
...I don't want that...
Sensei.

wait for me..
..to be reborn. I'll take you back from him.
So..
..goodbye, Sensei.


I wasn't going to give you up, no matter what my parents said.
Don't underestimate my love for you.
...was that your feelings had changed from love to regret.
The only thing that made me sad after I died...
...we...
...can't go back to those days again.
Even if you died for me...

I see...
I...
Enishi..
I love you...
Mmm..

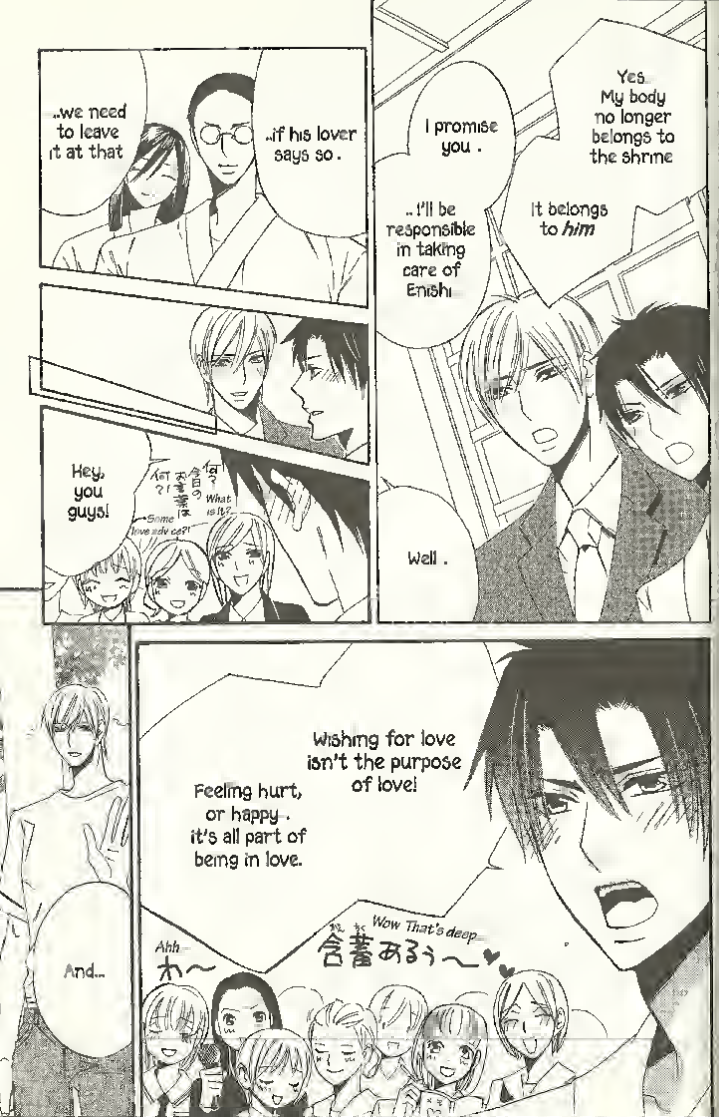
Yuki...
Thank you.
Huh?
Sensei, where is he...?
Oh...
He's gone.
Mmm...

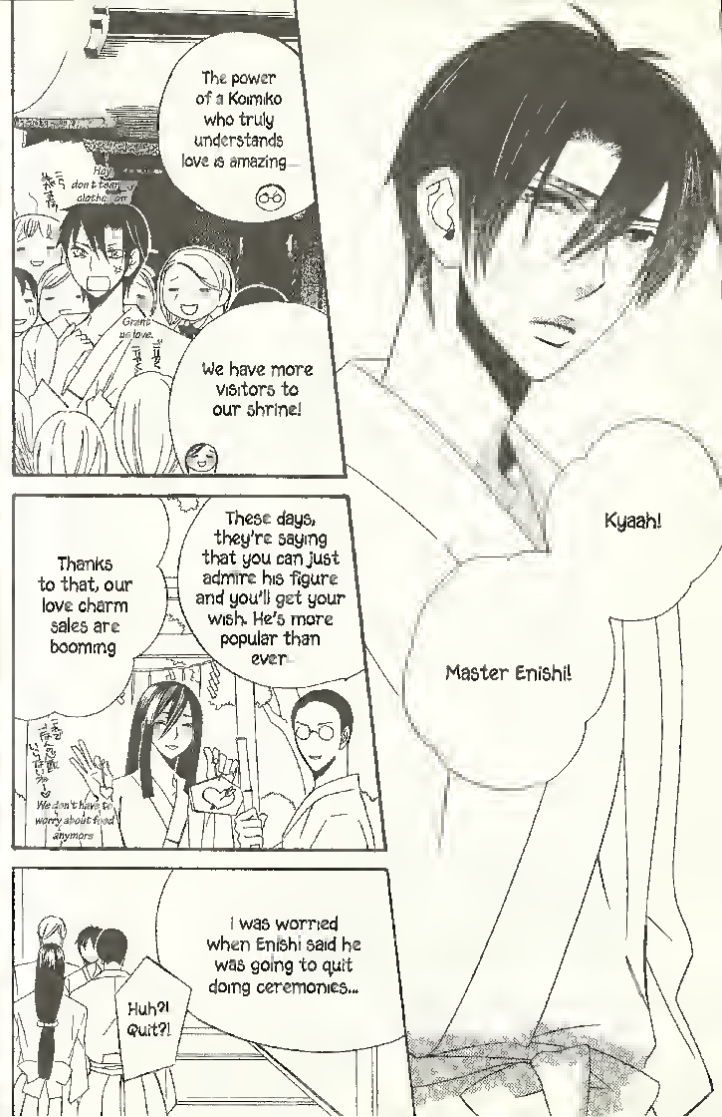
I love you...
Ah...
Mm...
I love you.
...too...
Ahhh.
I really do.. Sensei
Yes.
I wonder..

I just did this...
...with you at the ceremony, not long ago.
Yes...?
But this time, it feels totally different
During the ceremony...
...it was just painful...
Different...?
And now?

. making love.

It feels . so good .
..that I don't know what to do!
Why..?
...this time...
Because, Enishi...
...it's two people..
..it's not a ceremony..


..we need to leave it at that
..if his lover says so.
Yes. My body no longer belongs to the shrine
It belongs to *him*
I promise you.
..I'll be responsible in taking care of Enishi
Well.
Hey, you guys!
What is it?
Some love adv ce?!
Wishing for love isn't the purpose of love!
Feeling hurt, or happy. it's all part of being in love.
Wow That's deep
Ahh
And...

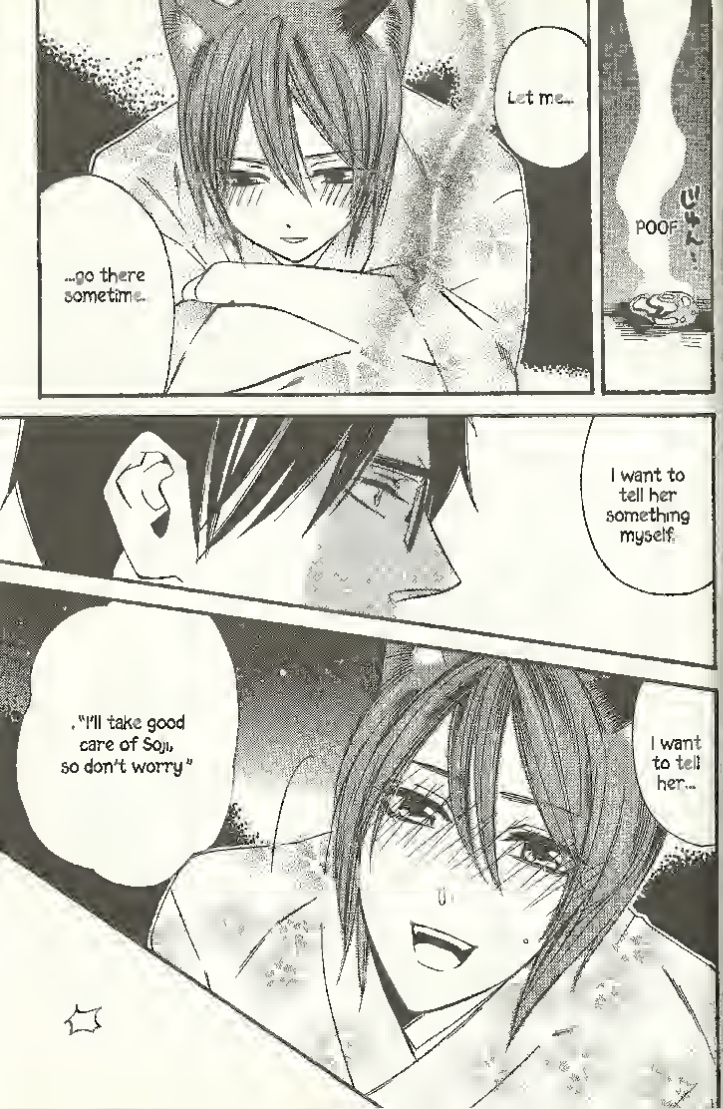

The power of a Komiko who truly understands love is amazing
Hey, don't tear clothes on
Grant us love.
We have more visitors to our shrine!
These days, they're saying that you can just admire his figure and you'll get your wish. He's more popular than ever.
Thanks to that, our love charm sales are booming
We don't have to worry about food anymore
Kyaah!
Master Enishi!
I was worried when Enishi said he was going to quit doing ceremonies...
Huh?! Quit?!

Hey, Soji.
How do you tie this?
...
STARE
Can you do it for me?
Him
Oh, sure.
IT HAPPENED ONE SUMMER EVENING.
Soji and Tama's Summer Night

...after you understand that...
...that's when real love begins.
Koimiko: Love Shrine * End

SPARKLE
SPARKLE
SPARKLE
SPARKLE
We still have more fireworks and you want to do the sparklers already?
No...
Huh? Is that wrong?
It's so fun!
Hey, Soji! Come light fireworks with me!
SPARKLE
SPARKLE
SPARKLE
...
Soji..
SPARKLE
SPARKLE
SPARKLE

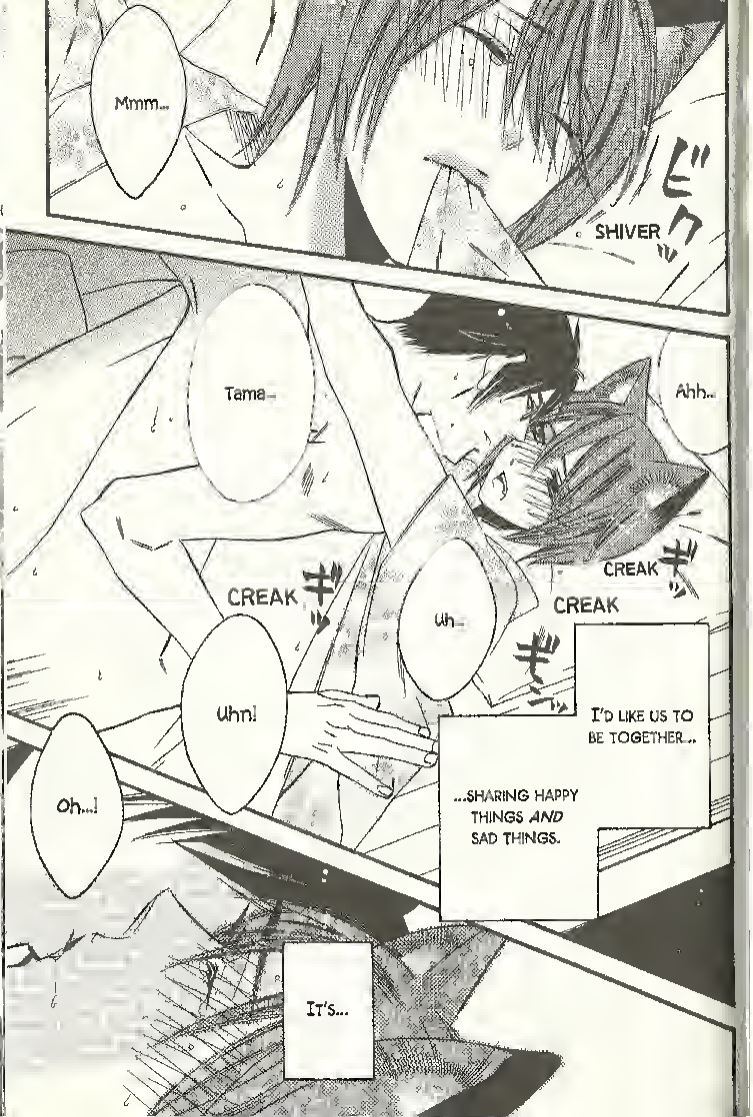
Oh, wow, you look great
How do I look?!
FWIP
Delicious!
Don't upset your stomach, now.
FOR ONCE,
...SOJI PLAYED WITH ME.
CRACKLE
SPARKLE
SPARKLE
SPARKLE
Yeah!


Let me...
...go there sometime.
POOF
I want to tell her something myself.
"I'll take good care of Soji, so don't worry"
I want to tell her...

Isn't today the anniversary of the day that Momono passed away?
FSSS...
FSSS...
You knew?
...you went to visit the grave by yourself, didn't you?
This afternoon...

SINCE HE DECIDED TO KEEP ME, SOJI DOESN'T TALK ABOUT MOMONO MUCH.
BECAUSE I TOLD HIM NOT TO COMPARE ME TO HER...
...HE MIGHT BE HOLDING BACK HIS FEELINGS.
SO I WANT HIM...

Yeah...
Soji...?
Thank you, Tama.


Mmm...
SHIVER
Tama-
Ahh...
CREAK
CREAK
CREAK
Uh...
Uhn!
Oh...!
I'D LIKE US TO BE TOGETHER...
...SHARING HAPPY THINGS AND SAD THINGS.
IT'S...

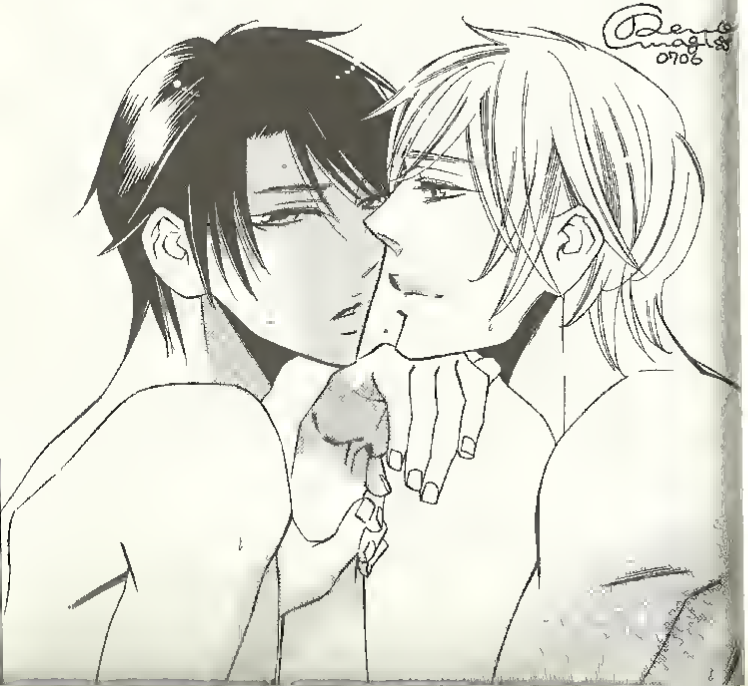
Mm...
Ah...
Ahn...
...TO BE ABLE TO SHARE HIS FEELINGS WITH ME, WHEN HE'S READY
We'll get my yukata dirty...
Soji... No...!
STROKE
STROKE
STROKE
Don't worry about that.

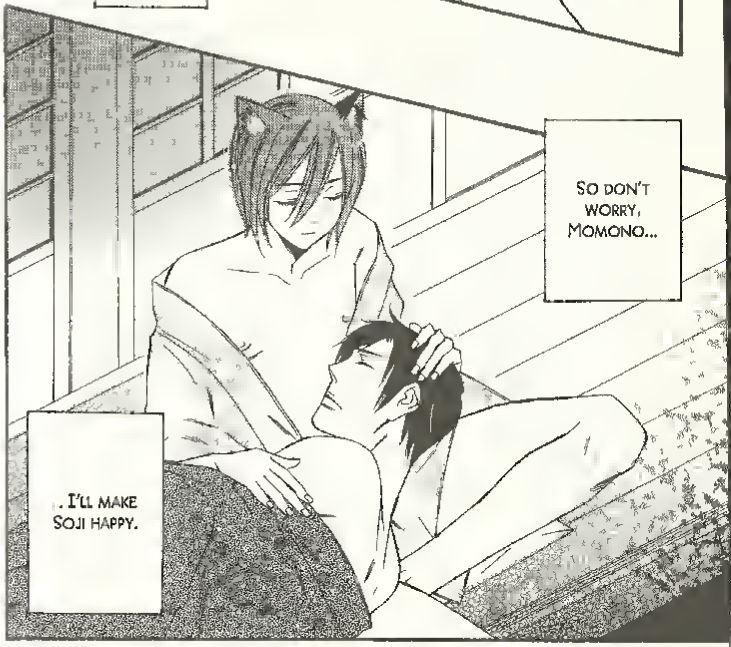
AFTERWORD あとがき

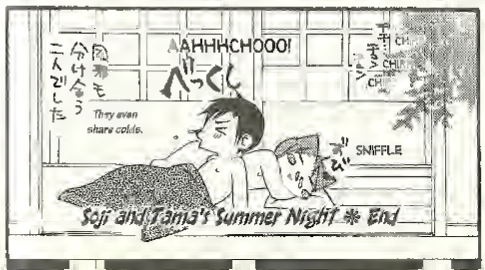
Hello!

Thanks for picking up ***Part-Time Pets***! This is my ninth manga. Writing ***Part-Time Pets*** made me so happy. Guys in suits with animal ears! But it made me wonder if this is considered bestiality. What do you think...? Talk about kinky! ***Koimiko: Love Shrine*** was my first multi-part story. The setup was too complicated and it may have turned out a bit childish, but some people I polled said they support Enishi's lifestyle and that made me very happy. It's good to have support (that goes for both me ***and*** Enishi)! Finally, I want to send my love to my dear readers. The helpful Sano-chin, Mr. M-zaki, Mr. K, who managed me from the beginning, and Mr. S, my new manager!

~Reno Amagi







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